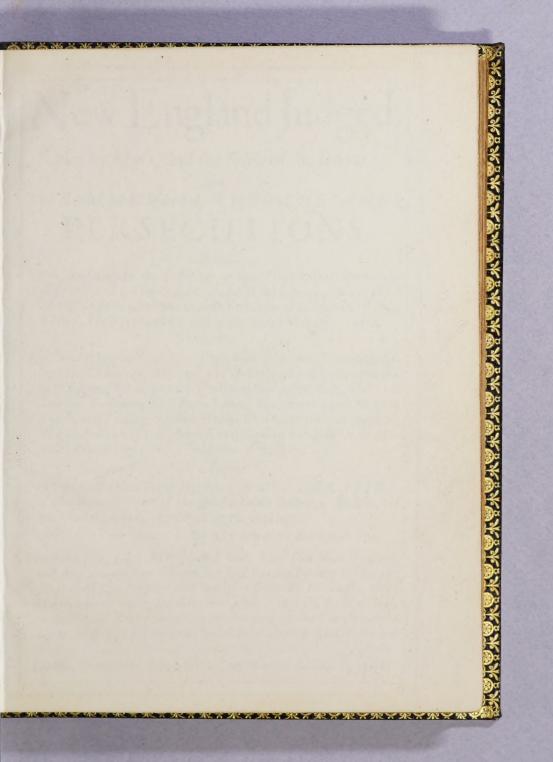
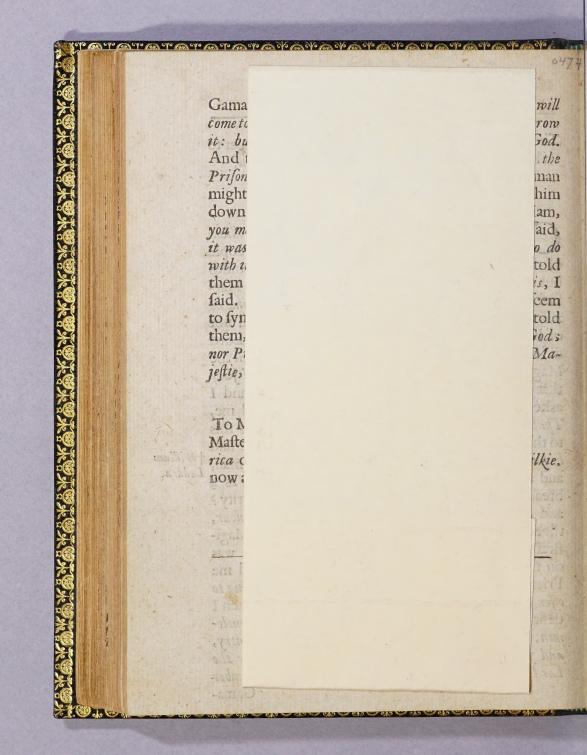


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# New England Judged.

### The Second Part.

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A Relation of the cruel and bloody Sufferings of the People called Quaker, and hung upon a Tree at Boston, the 14th of the first month, 166°, barely for being such a one as is called a Quaker, and coming within their Jurisdiction; And ending with the Sufferings of Edward Wharton, the 3d month, 166°. And the remarkable Judgements of God in the Death of John Endicot Governour, John Norton, High Priest, and Humphry Adderton, Major General.

### By George Bishope.

Fill ye up then the measure of your Fathers; ye Serpents, ye Generation of of Vipers, How can ye escape the Damnation of Hell?

wherefore, behold, I send unto you Prophets, and wise Men, and Scribes, and some of them ye shall Kill, and Crucifie; and some of them shall you securge in your Synagogues, and persecute from City to City.

That upon you may come all the Righteous blood shed upon the Earth, from the Blood of Righteous Abel, unto the blood of Zacharias, Son of Batachias, whom ye slew between the Temple and the Altar.

Verily, I say unto you, all these things shall come on this Generation, Mat. 23.32, 33, 34, 35, 36.

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# New England JUDGED.

The Second Part, &c.

Nmy + former Treatise I had to doing with you, Governors + Intituled. of New England, who had to do in the sufferings of the New England Innocent; and in particular with you of the Massachusets, Judged, &c. whom I dealt with al by way of Answer to the Printed A- dustion to this pology, Intituled, A Declaration of the General Court of the Book. Massachusets holden at Boston, the 18th of October, 1658. Drawing all the sufferings therein mentioned; and the blood of those three whom you had put to death, and the Ears that you had cut, and the Backs that you had torn, and the Limbs that you had endeavoured to starve, and the Bellies that you had kept empty, and the Houses and Estates that you had laid waste and devoured, and the necessities and straits you had put, and exposed the People of the Lord unto, and their Families, for their Conscience to God, upon your heads, according to the particulars of that your Declaration, which was the method I then observed; and where I left it, having fully answered you, and leaving you Convict of the Cruelties and bloodsheds therein contained; and the forfeiture of your Pattent, who in those things had dealt contrary to the Laws of England,

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England, and repugnant thereunto. Now I shall Treat with you after another manner; and instead of reducing what I have to say of the cruel and bloody sufferings you have since that time inflicted on the Innocent, to particular qualities of sufferings, as of Death, Banishment, Whippings, &c. I shall carry the matter according to the series of time, and promiscuously manage the sufferings as they were promiscuously inflicted; in which I shall observe what brevity the nature of things of this concernment, and your demerits will admit, and so come to a close of this second part of the barbarous Sufferings of the

Innocent chiefly within your Turisdiction.

Indeed one would have thought, that the weight of the sufferings, and blood contained in the former Treatise; and the sence of the large account you have to give to God and Man for what you had so done, and the cruel necessities you had reduced your Neighbours and Friends unto thereby; and the constancy you perceived in them when they suffered, and the hand that bore them through that, which all things considered, no Age in England ever parallel'd, might have drawn some sence upon, and moisture from you; had you outworn the confideration of your Reputation, which from a People perfecuted indeed for your Conscience, and flying into a strange Land because of Conscience, were come to be the greatest Persecutors of others for their Conscience; and if no other thing would have done it, one would think that the humanity of men should have prevailed, who, usually have some sence, where humanity it felf, or the tenderness of Nature to its own flesh, as all men are made of one blood, and what man ever hated his own flesh, (that is) standing in the Nature, or the sence of that, in which all men were made, is not quite extinguished and put under; and they become cruel like the Oftritches in the Wildernesse; but where the Itch of Blood is once lodged in the hearts of men, and that Spirit bears Rule which doth not to others what it would be done unto it felf: the contrary unto which is the Royal Law; and where the blood-thirsty Spirit hath once tasted of the Sufferings of the Innocent, there it is never at rest, until the Innocent are not, or that there are no more Innocents left, whose blood it might fuck,

fuck, and so the Righteons be rid from off the face of the Earth; as it was with Cain, who in the very point of Worship, or the Sacrifice, in which God was well pleased, or had respect unto, slew his Brother, when he had no other in the world; and though himself became a Vagabond, and his guilt made him to fly the face of any man whom he met with on the Earth, yet he returned not. The natural or cruel Father, or the first of that Generation, in whom the murthering Spirit entered, or had effect, of all that for Conscience, or the Worship of God persecuted them whose Religion and Conscience was not according to theirs; and here no weight bears sence, or gives remorse, or pity, but being in its own Element, or that which is hard, and without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful, being over, no touch can pierce through, till the Judgement of God comes to break them in pieces; and then oftentimes the utter de-Aruction of those in whom this hath ruled, comes to be the consequence, and they to be rewarded according to their deeds. मी कार्य १०४१ के अवस्थित एक मार्ग कर्तिया के कार्य कार्य के किया

And this will prove the consequence of you, who have for often, and folong washt your hands in Innocent blood, without confideration or remorfe, and have counted it your glory. by how much the more you have caused it to be shed, (of which anon I shall give instance) And therefore I write not unto you, as hoping you will take warning, or that I think your Judgement you will miss, for you must bear it in the extremity, the Lord hath spoken it: But to record you for ever, as the most unnatural persons (all things being duly weighed) as ever the Earth bore: and that I may carry on your Judgment, which is begun already, and place it upon you for ever and ever, wherein time shall be no more, and you shall be rewarded as your work shall be; So I have drawn the Line once more over you, that Ages to come may see your wickedness, and that they may glorifie the Lord over your destruction, when they shall understand wherefore it was that he so did unto you, when his Judgement on you shall be accomplished: And this let me tell you, in the Name of the Lord, who hath moved me to write, and thus to speak unto you, That it shall never be withdrawn, till all be accomplished in this World, and in the World

co come, you, who have shed the blood of the Innocent, shall perish for ever. Some of you know it already, who are gone to their own place, whom his Judgement hath taken hold of, (of which in its place and order) and the rest of you shall know it in due season; mock at it whilst you will, and stretch out your necks, and make a wry mouth, your Judgement lingereth not, nor doth your Damnation sumber; and the hand of Man shall pursue you, as it hath already begun, and you shall not escape what his Counsel hath determined, and his Word hath spoken; and you shall be an hissing, and an execution, and a by-word, and a taunt, and your Judgement shall remain for ever and ever.

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The Book it Therefor hear ye Rout-hearted, who are far from Righteoulnels, and give ear to the account of your wickednels, which in the Name of the Lord I shall thus bring upon you.

Mary Dyer:

But before I proceed to the Particulars which are not in-Ranced in the former Treatife, I must a little look back, and give some account of what in my former was not spoken of concerning Mary Dyer, whom your barbarous hands flew, and hung upon a Tree, as is at large therein expressed, which is a short Letter of hers wrote to your General Court at Boflon, 28th. 8th. month, 1659. After the was reprieved, and taken from the Tree, and brought to Prison, wherein instead of flying off from you, because of the death of her two dear Friends and Servants of the Lord, W. Robinson, and Marmaduke Stevenson, with whom she was led from the Fayl to the place of Execution, and who were there cruelly murthered by you for their Conscience to God, the thing in her which is everlasting, which you opposed, and because thereof, and ber Testimony unto it, slew both her and them, came on upon row, and instead of shunning death, encountred you to die; and in the Name and Power of the Lord bad you defiance, and warned you, and spake of what should follow upon you, which because it is a Prophese, which certainly on you shall be fulfilled, and is a lively testimony of the virtue of Truth, which can look death in the face, and a good savour and record to future Generations how it hath conquered in a Woman, I have here set down as followeth.

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## The 28th. of the 8th. month, 1659.

Nee more to the general Court Assembled in Boston, speaks Mary Dyar, even as before, My Life is not accepted, neither to the Court, availeth me, in comparison of the Lives and liberty of the Truth, after the was and Servants of the living God, which in the Bowels of Love taken the fift and Meekness I fought you; yet nevertheless, with wicked time from hands have you put two of them to death, which makes me to ter which feel that the mercies of the Wicked is cruelty; I rather chose they hanged to die then to live, as from you, as guilty of their Innocent her. blood; Therefore seeing my request is hindred, I leave you to the Righteous Judge, and searcher of all Hearts, who with the pure measure of Light he hash given to every man to profit withal, will in his due time let you see whose Servants you are, and of whom you have taken counsel, which I desire you to search into: But all his Counsel hath been slighted, and you would none of his reproofs. Read your portion, Prov. 1. 24, to 32. For verily the night cometh on you apace, wherein no man can work, in which you shall assuredly fall to your own Master, in obedience to the Lord, whom I serve with my Spirit, and pitty to your Souls, which you neither know, nor pitty; I can do no less then once more to warn you, to put away the evil of your doings, and kils the Son, the Light in you, before his Wrath be kindled in you; for where it is, nothing without you can help or deliver you out of his hand at all; and if these things be not so, then Jay, There hath been no Prophet from the Lord sent amongst you; though we be nothing, yet it is his pleasure by things that are not, to bring to nought things that are.

When I heard your last Order read, it was a disturbance unto me, that was so freely offering up my life to him that gave it me, and sent me hither so to do, which obedience being his own work, he gloriously accompanied with his presence, and peace, and love in me, in which I rested from my labour, till by your Order, and the people, I was so far disturbed, that I could not retain any more the words thereof, then that I should return to Prison,

and there remain forty and eight hours, to which I submitted, finding nothing from the Lord to the contrary, that I may know what his Pleasure and Counsel is concerning me, on whom I wait therefore, for he is my Life, and the length of my dayes, and as I said before, I came at his command, and go at his Command.

Mary Dyar.

So far Mary Dyer, and so far concerning her blood, which. you luckt, and the other two Servants of the Lord, as aforeiaid. I shall now proceed to a fresh account of your cruelty and blood exercised on the Servants of the Lord, since the return of the King, and under the pretence of his Name and Authority, as ye had before under the Name of the Commonwealth; And I shall take things in order here according to the best account I have from a place at that distance, as yours is fron England; and as I left the former Treatise in the blood of Mary Dyar aforesaid, whom ye took from the Tree after her face was covered, and the Halter about her neck, and she was given up to die, and carried to your Jayl, or murderous Den at Boston, and afterwards put to death, all but for barely coming into your Jurisdiction, and being such a one as is called a Quaker, as in the first Part of the Relation of your bloody cruelties is more at large rehearsed. So I shall begin this with the blood of William Ledra of Barbadoes, 23 it lies in order, and in the first place to be treated of or related.

Will. Ledra.

The faid W. Ledra having been again, and again, cruelly whipt in your bloody Den at Boston, and sought there to be both starved and smothered to death with W. Brend, by your cruel Jayler Salter, and Sentenced unto Banishment, upon pain of Death; besides fore and long Imprisonments, in that your Jayl, and in Plimoth Pattent; and being put out of another jurisdiction; I say, the said W. Ledra, after all the aforesaid cruel sufferings, coming into your bloody jurisdiction again of the Massachusets, and to your Metropolis of blood, your bloody Boston, to visit there the Servants of the Lord who lay there in Prison for the Testimony of their Conscience to God;

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Put in Chains, you soon laid hands on him; and having thrust him into your Laid hands on. Cub, your Jayler presently put his Tallons upon him, and

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fastned him to a log of Wood, and there kept him night and Fastened to a day lockt in Chains, during a miserable and very cold Winter, Log. (which usually is beyond the extremity in England) lying down and rifing up with them, as the best Companions which he could have outwardly, which were miserable enough, cold and hard weather, and hard and cold Irons, in an open Prison. enough to have murdered a man whom the Lord did not uphold; (The Mercies of New England, with which they exercife the Servants of the Lord, and entertain strangers, who themselves fled thither as strangers from the Persecution of the Bishops, who now become cruel, beyond the Presidents of former Generations, who shall have their Judgements as are their Presidents.) Isay, till the first month, which was the time of the fitting of your Court of Assistance, in which you brought him forth, with his Chains and Log at his heels; and Brought before as if all that had been done unto him was not sufficient, you the Court of put to your weight to fink him down, and force him out of this World, which shall force you down, and fink you for ever, The Lord hath spoken it.

This cruel Treatment was very hard to behold by his fellow Prisoners, the Servants of the Lord, whom he coming in tenderness of love to visit, was dealt with as aforesaid. And Edward Wharton of Salem (one that is often mentioned in the Edw. Wharformer Relation, for your cruelties upon him, though an Inton. habitant) being able no longer to withhold, when he heard dear William asking the Jayler when he intended to take the Irons from his Legs? and the Jayler answering, When thou art going to be hang'd. Said to your Jayler, William Salter, Who gave thee order to do these things? Thou astest as if thou wert some Magistrate. To which your Jayler replyed, I am a Magistrate in my place; (see What height of preferment bloods thirstiness and cruelties imagine men into, Jaylers Magistrates, Magistrates Jaylers) And to William Ledra he said, I look upon thee as a Capital Offender. This was the ease, and tender

refentment of a man compassed about with the same infirmities as himself, whom he cruelly had entertained as aforesaid, both as Executioner and Magistrate, (a horrid Schism in Law and Government, for the same man to be both Executioner and

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Judge.) Hereupon Edward Wharton being so far from being terrified with what was done, that he was ready to come upon it in the strength of the Lord; (see the nature of Truth, and the force of that which is everlasting, which cannot be terrified) Said, Truly William, if I come to be at liberty, I shall return to my home; that is, he should come back again, upon your Law of Death, as William Ledra had, when be should be fet at liberty upon being Sentenc'd to Banishment, in order to which Sentence of Banishment he was Imprisoned, and so expected it; your Jaylor answered, He should (pointing to the Gallows) then be hang'd. The mercies of the Wicked which are cruelties; and he was as good as his word, or truth which moved him then to spake in the face of your cruelty, as unterrified, and daring to die, for the Testimony of Truth carried him on to perform it, after you had Sentenced him, and put William Ledra to death, who came upon you again; when you were upon the blood of Winlock Christison, (hereafter to be mentioned) which is a farther demonstration of the Power of God ruling in his Servants, whom you fought to run over, but were not able, though you tryed it with Whippings and Scourgings, and loss of Goods, and Imprisonments, and cutting of Ears, and selling for Bond-slaves, and Burnings, and Banishment, and Death.

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First month, Now your Court of Assistance being sat in the first month; 1669, out you draw this Servant of the Lord (whom your former cruelties had not killed) to your Judgement Seat, there to Sentence him, and put him to death, and so to dispatch him. quite by pretence of Law; whom your cruelties had not dettroyed, though they were to him in the nature of a lingring

Ed, Wharton death; and with him, Edward Wharton, as aforesaid, and Fohn Cham- Fohn Chamberlaine a Housekeeper in your Town of Boston, whom berlaine. you had cruelly whipt oft-times before, as in the former Trea-Robert Har-tise hath been mentioned. And Robert Harper and his Wife, per, and his who came above fixty miles from their Homes at Sandwich, to Wife. visit their Brethren in Bonds, for which you had lockt them up in Prison all Winter from their homes, and little ones; so far

were you from visiting the Prisoners, though you knew, who said, I was sick, and in Prison, and you visited me not; and

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thefe (hall go into Life Eternal, but the wicked into everlasting punishment; All these ye drew to your Judgement Seat, where being brought to the Bar, you pake of your Law, and told Brought to the William Ledra, That he was found guilty, and so that he was Bar, and Wilto die : William said, What evil have I done ? Ye said, His own treed. confession was as good as a thousand Witnesses. William demand ed. What was that? You antwered, That he owned those that The matters were put to death. (A sore Crime indeed for a min to be put laid to his to Death, for owning the Innocont Martyrs of Jesus whom you had murthered; and that they were Innocent for which they died : and that he would not put off his Hat in Court ; and that he would fay, Thee and Thou. (O that ever a Generation of men should be so besotted in blood, as to bring Innocent blood upon their heads, for such Innocent things as these!) Then said William to you, You will will put me to death for speaking English, and for not putting off my Cloaths. To this your sometimes Major General Denison replyed, A man may speak Treason in English, let us come to the thing in hand. Then answered William, Is it Treason to say Thee and Thou to a single Person? To which none of you replyed, but Simon Broadstreet (a man hardned in blood, and a cruel Persecutor) demanded of William Ledra, whether he would go for England? William answered, I have no business there. Said Simon pointing to the Gallows, Then you shall be hang'd, or that he should go that way. So little esteem have you of mens lives or blood; but blood will be given you who are worthy, and as you have shewed no mercy, so no mercy will you receive from the hands of the Lord. And yet this Simon Broadstreet, when afterwards he was here in England with John Norton your High Priest, as your Agent, could tell how to shrink, when with fitting on the blood of the Innocent, he was here charged withal, fearing he should have been here questioned for the blood of the Innocent, which had he received his due, had been here executed upon him; but another hand will meet with him, who to him and you, will render according to your deeds.

William replyed, What will you put me to death for breathing in the Air in your Jurisdiction? And for what you have against me, I appeal to the Laws of England (said he) for my Tryal; England.

(12) and if by them I am guilty, I refuse not to die. See the vallour of the man, and his confidence, and trust, and your wickedness, that for breathing in the Air, (for in effect nothing else could ye charge him with, but coming within your Jurisdiction, who is called a Quaker, and doing nothing therein worthy of Death, or of Bonds; And what is this but for breathing, in the Air within your Jurisdiction? neither broaching Opinion or Principle, or doing any other thing, but coming in contrary to your Law, who will have none to breath therein but whom ye please) his breath ze will take away, and cut him off from the Land of the Living.

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To this you would not agree nor yeeld, but instead thereof, you feek to perswade him to recant of those Errors, and conform to your Wills, and to submit to you, so hard it is for you to submit to England. (O what a stupid Generation are ye, to demand of a man for his life to recant, for not putting off his. Hat, his Cloaths, for speaking properly Thou and Thee to a single Person; for owning those who coming into your Jurisdiction, and being known to be such persons as themselves, by such Innocent and proper things as these, ye put to death, and because he cannot do it, to murther him also, it is hard to find words by which to express you.) To which be answered, according to the magnanimity of the Spirit of Truth which was in him; What? to joyn with such murtherers as you are; then let every man that meets me say, Lo this is the man that hath for saken the God of his Salvation. You said to him, the last General Court, He had liberty given him to go for England, or go out of your Jurisdiction, and promising to do so, and come there no more, be might fave his life. He answered, I stand not in my own will, but in the Will of the Lord; If I may bave my freedom, I shall go, but to make you a promise I cannot. Whereupon these aforesaid who were at the Bar with him, being grieved at their hearts to fee your wicked proceedings against an Innocent man for his life, after all your aforesaid cruelties towards, and exercised upon him, only because he came into your Jurisdiction, began to testifie against your exceeding Ed. Wharton Wickedness; and amongst the rest, Edward Wharton by name, which to stop, and that your wrong dealings with the Inno-

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cent might not be made manifest + one of you cryed out to have + James Oli-Edward Wharton gag'd, who spake (so you do what you please, ver, and Peter and none must contradict you, how unjust soever and cruel Oliver, cryed be your proceedings) and others cryed, Have them away to him on the Jayl, Fayler, take them away; so all of them were had away Pate. except W. Ledra, whom they reserved for sentence of death; And the rest who as they were hurried away, cryed for liberty to stay, and except W. Lehear, and see the Tryal of their Friend, whom they said, They Jayl. perceived you had an intent to murther; but it you denyed them, and him you referved for your \* will, and lockt up the others some hours in Prison.

So what in you lay, you sought to quench the Witness of God to Ed. Wharin his Servants, who were Prisoners, that it might not testi- ton, That the fie against jou, and give you torment, but the Lord was above Will of the you; and whereas your Law of Death fought to afright those, Court was a in whom the Power of the Lord lived, (though you would not own it, and forced them out of your Jurisdiction, for which cause you made your bloody Law, as aforesaid, and had put three to death, as hath been related; you were deceived in this also, for not only did W. Ledra come upon your Law for death, after you had murthered the other three, as hath been said, but Wenlock Christison being moved of the Lord, and Wenlock brought by the mighty Power of God, with his Life in his hand, and being made willing by the same Power and Life, to offer up his Life in obedience to the Lord, (in performance of which Sentenced to be found peace and rest) if he saw it good to require it of him, Banishment. was not afraid of your Laws, nor Gibbets, but in the Name and Power of God, though be stood in the predicament of Death, having been already Banished by you, upon the pain of death, came into your Court, not fearing the wrath of the Devil, comes in nor the fury of the Dragon in you, which had power to kill some, and persecute others of the Saints of the most high God, even in the very time that you were trying the faid W. Ledra, and there nobly shewed himself over the head of all your blood and cruelty in the strength of the Lord.

This struck a great damp upon you, to see a man so concern'd in his life, so come upon your Law of Death, and trample it under, infomuch that for a little space of time,

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there was filence in the Court; but you recovering your fwoon, or the Spirit of Iniquity rifing up over all in you again, you began to gather strength, and recover heart in your wickednels, and one cries out, Here is another, fetch him up to the Bar, said you, which your Marshal performed, and bad him pluck off his Hat, who faid, No, I shall not. Then said your Secretary Rawfon, that old Instrument of Iniquity, Is not your name Wenlock Christison? Wenlock Said, Yea. Said the Governor, John Endicot, (a man whose hands have been much imbrued in the blood of the Innocent, as he hath had to do in the Sufferings of the Oppressed, (as in the former Relation is more at large expressed) I say your Governour said unto him, after he had acknowledged his name (which he denyed not, though in the face of death, which he came to encounter with, as aforesaid, in the power of the Lord) and to look you in the face as to that) What dost thou here? Wast thou not Banished upon pain of Death? Wenlock answered, Yea, I was. (See how Truth enables a man to bear his Testimony, though the consequence proves the death, or dissolution by cruelty of him that bears it; as he did who went before, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good Confession, who when they came to take him with Clubs and Staves, and he had asked them, Whom seek ye? Fesus of Nazareth, said they, I am he, said be: which struck them backwards, yet they came on him again, and had him, and put him to death; The same it did in you, to come upon this man, as aforesaid; and the same Spirit of Jesus you see enables to do the same things now.) What dost thou here then? said your Governour. He cryed, That he was come to warn them that they should shed no more Innocent blood, for the blood that you have hed already cries to the Lord God for Andis com- vengeance to come upon you. Whereupon you said, Take him mitted to Pri-away Jaylor; The recompence you returned him who came with his life in his hand, at the command of the Lord, and in his mighty Power, to the astonishment of you, that any should dare thus to come to warn you, who came in love, and in the Agony of his Soul, to cry out unto you for your own good, that the vengeance of the Lord might come upon you; but to Jayl him you had away, leaving his Friend and fellow-sufferer,

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of whom he so warned you, to be tryed for his life, and whom

you afterwards put to death, as the sequel manifests.

So your Court role, and after a while sat again, and before Edw. Wharyou, Edward Wharton, John Chamberlain, and the other three ton, &c. aforesaid, you caused to be called, and Edward Wharton standing at your Bar, with his Hat on, your Deputy Governor Bellingham stood up, and said, Who is that, Edward Wharton? Surely it is not Edward Wharton? W. Ledra Replyed, Thou shouldst not lie, for thou knowest it is Edward Wharton: Whereupon a great stir was in your Court, and the cry was. That William ought to be carried out and Whipt, for giving the lie. (which he did not, but civilly admonished him in the Words of truth, that he should not have done that which he ought not to have done, which was to lie, which done he had, and he called the thing by its proper Name, which was a lie, which was contrary to the Truth) in the face of the open Court, to your Deputy Governour, Who should not have lyed in the face of the open Court, who fat as Judge, and that upon the Lives and Liberties, and corporal punishments of others, and fo should have been a better example, and so had gone without reproof, which now was given him by the Truth. Said William, But I have spoken Truth; but the Deputy Governour did but Fest, (as was said by some of the Court) and jesting is lawful, for Elias jetted with Baals Priests : See your Religion, and the height of it, who put men to death for Religion, who force the Scriptures, as if they justified what was not Truth: and produce the Scriptures to prove what is not truth, for the Scripture faith, The Devil was a murtherer from the Foh. 8. 44. beginning, and abode not in the Truth. And lie not one to ano. Col. 3.9. ther. And all lyars (hall have their part in the Lake that lurn- Rev. 21. 8. eth with Fire and Baimstone. And foolish jesting, which things Ephes. 5.42. are not convenient, but rather giving of thanks; for, for these things (ake the Wrath of God comes on the Children of Disobedience; Thus for Lying, thus for Festing. Now as to the Paralel of Elias and Baais Priests, and what your Deputy Governour faid, You may cut your selves as Baals Priests, and cry, Oh Baal hear us; as they did from morning to evening: But no answer will you have from that part of the Scripture to

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that is to say, that he could not hear, he was not that which they took him to be, and prayed unto him for; that he was not God, and so by those Ironical or Apostrophetical expressions, reproved, or scoffed them in the Power of the Lord, who laughs at the singodly train, and at the calamity of them who hearken not to the Voice of Wildom, and turn not at his reproof (that is) inflicts Judgement on them, and hath no mercy. But What is this to Richard Bellinghams saying, Who is that, Edward Wharton? Surely it is not Edward Wharton. Or what, doth this justifie either Lying, or foolish Jesting? (take it in the most favourable sence you can put it, which you, such a Court as you, you, who have set your selves up as a Standart to the Nation, as the height of Religion so emphatical, and not to be denyed, that all that you say is not Religion, ought not, must not be: and the Professors thereof, though they neither say nor do any thing, not are Convict of any one thing by the Scriptures to be Erronious, but forbear coming into your lurisdiction, who are not of your Religion, who are Englishmen as well as you, and have as much right to Sojouin there as you, must be Imprisoned, Whipt, sold for Bondsaves, have their Ears cut, their Limbs burnt, be Banished, and put to Death. Oh horrible Monsters, beyond the Paralel of former Generations, Cheats, Impostors, who fled Old England because of Conscience, and now do these things to men, shall I say, because of Conscience; Nay, but on the foot of Humanity, of Nature, of breathing in the Air, of living on the Earth, which is appointed for their Habitation, which God made for Man, which you men, deny to men of the same mould and blood with your felves, who are as much men as you, and as much related to the Earth as you, the Air, Act, 17, 26. the place of habitation, and have as much right; who controul the God of Heaven, or take upon you so to do, (who made all men on the face of the Earth of one blood, and appointed the bonds of their Habitations) who will not that it shall be so, but tear his Creatures, whom he hath made, and turn them out of being in this World, whom he hath brought, and given being to in the World, who put your Laws above his :

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his . who destroy his Creation; who ravish the Scripture, which proceeded from his Spirit of Truth, and the Power of him who in them speaks, to speak your Lusts, to justifie your Leafings, to serve your Pleasure against the Truth, and the Children thereof, whom you cause thus cruelly to suffer as because of Truth, or on the foot of it, and bring the Scriptures to justifie, (at least) your Deputy Governours lightness in the Seat of Judgement, where you put the Innocent to death, because of Trush; Ages and Generations to come will hardly think this can be verified of you, but this of you is so, and of you is verified, for which you shall receive according to your deeds.

So you called Edmard Wharton to the Bar, and the Warrant Ed. Wharton of his Commitment ye caused to be read; which was as fol-called to the

loweth.

### To the Constables of Salem, or either of them.

Ou are required in his Majesties Name (see how his Majesty is brought to it; but anon I shall Thew how you have served him whom you have called his Majesty) to Apprehend the Body of Edward Wharton, and him safely to bring before me, to answer such Objections as shall be laid unto him, concerning the QUAKERS.

John Endicot.

Which Warrant the + Constable exercised on him in his + Tho, Roots, House at Salem, and brought him to Boston, through the Countrey, with his black Staff, as some notorious Offender; which now being read, Edward Wharton asked your Governour what he had now to lay to his Charge? Instead of answering unto which, as he ought to have done, seeing he was now the second time before him, by virtue of the faid Warrant; which fo faid, as aforefaid, your Governour spoke to him about the Andquestioned Hat, and how he pittied him that he should be so deluded, about his Hat.

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(vet he Imprisoned him, and afterwards Banisht him, (who had been long his Neighbour in Salem) on pain of Death, for being so deluded, who being so deluded he pretended to pitty. Oh deep Hypocresie, and killing Cruelty!) Edward Wharton said, That as for the Hat, it would do him but little good: and as for Truth, it did delude none, but by it (said he) am I made to see, and know that the Grace of God which bath appeared unto all men, teacheth us to deny ungodliness, and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this World; and now by the power of this Grace I am made willing, said he ( And had you any sence in you of good, or were you not as the Adamant, you would have minded it, confidering you knew what he had been; and how fince he was convinced of the Truth. he was changed; but things of this nature, bear nothing upon you till you come to be broken in pieces) That as his Name hath suffered by my vain Conversation, so now to suffer for his Name and Truth, (a good confession, and fit for you to have minded) accounting it greater Riches to Suffer affliction with the People of God, then to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; and The Governour this, through his Grace, in my measure I can witness, said he. Then replyed the Governour, in scoffing fort, In my measure

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God; the men. (see how words of soberness, and Trnth, and the Scriptures, tioning thereof and what every one of you should witness, and in the deepest gravity speak thereof, as those who knew, and ought fo to do, the measure of God in them, the manifestation of the Spirit which is given to every one to profit withal, of which (it feems) you are ignorant) this is right the Quakers words; (and are they not the words of Truth?) Halt thou Grace? faid your Governour; Yea, replyed Edward. How dost know (faid your Governour) that thou hast Grace? Edward answered, He that believeth in the Son of God, need not go to others to know, for he hath the witness in himself, as saith John; And this Witness is the Spirit. Your answer hereunto was, Go call the Keeper; the Keeper came, Do you know this man? Yes, said the Fayler, Go take him to Prison, said your Governour. But said Edward Wharton, Seeing thou hast sent thy Warrant, and cansed the Constable to take me out of my Honse, and lead me through the Countrey, from Town to Town, like an evil doer, I

would

Edward is Committed.

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your Governour, you shall know that hereafter; and so commanded the Fayler to take him away, (see what strangers you are to the Grace of God that bringeth Salvation, and to the Witness, that he that believeth hath in himself, and to the Scriptures, and the Spirit that speaketh in them, and Fustice and Equity amongst men, that a man speaking soberly to these things, and according to Truth, in answer to your demands, must be sent to Prison) and nothing said to him wherefore he was so sent, when he reasonably desired it: but to Prison he must go, and there Truth must be held, or he that profest it; which cannot, or will not be suffered to enter into you; And the Scripture is fulfilled, Truth falleth in the streets, and Equi- 1/a. 59. 14, ty cannot enter; who make a man an Offender for a word, and Go. hate him that reproveth in the Gate: And yet call your selves the Church of Christ, whose Garment was never stained with Perfecution with the blood of the Innocent: But The was Persecuted, and her Garment stained with her Innocent blood; who are of the flock of Cain, who shed his Brothers blood for Religion: who went from the Presence of the Lord into the Land of Nod, as you have done, of the Generation of the Devil, of him, of whom Cain was, who was of that wicked One (faid John) who flew his Brother; And wherefore flew he him, 1 Joh, 3.12. because his own work was evil, and his Brothers good? So see your Generation, and behold your Stock and Parentage.

So away he was had to Prison, and there kept with William And to Prison Ledra, close Prisoner night and day; sometimes in a very lit- he is had. tle Room, little bigger then a Saw-pit, having no liberty, but when you caused them to be brought unto your Courts to Inquisition, which was in order to future Bonds, and Death, where they were also Prisoners; which was all the breathing they had in your Jayl of Cruelty, or Den of Leopards, miserable liberty, and yet it was the best they received at your hands; who are become cruel, (as I said) like the Ostrutches in the Wilderness; and worse then the Sea-monsters, who draw forth the brest, and give sack to their young; And yet ye would be accounted the Members of Christ, whose Spirit is gentle, meek, Fam. 3. 17. easie to be entreated; full of goodness, mercy and compassion, Bro- 2 Pet. 1. 7.

therly kindness and charity, which you are fled from, into Anger, Hatred, Malice, Wrath, Murther, Unnaturalness, Implacableness, Unmercifulness, Crnelty; The proper Characters of Abaddon, and Appollion, King of the Locusts, that John saw coming out of the bottomless Pit; and the proper effects of the spirit of the evil One, the Devil, whose Children these things speak you to be, who with him shall receive according to your deeds.

Friends, What is the Cause? (said Edward Wharton oft to you, when had before you) And wherefore have I been setcht from my Habitation, where I was following my honest Calling, and Edw. cha ged here laid up as an evil doer? Your Hair is too long (replyed you)

mith his Hair and you are disobedient to that Commandment, which saith, being too long. Honour thy Father and Mother. To which, said Edward, Wherein? In that you will not put off your Hat (said you) before the Magistrates. It's not so, (replyed Edward) but I love

and own all Magistrates, and Rulers, who are for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. But cry-

Edw. is had to ed Secretary Rawson in answer hereunto, Come to the Bar; the Bar again, Yea, (said Edward) and unto the Bench also; for we know thou doc. hast no evil justly to charge us withal. Hold up your hand

W. Ledra. (cried Ramson) Nay, replyed W. Ledra, and Ed. Wharton, Ed. Wharton For thou hast no evil justly to lay to our charge. Well, said is Sentenced to Ramson, Edward Wharton, here your Sentence of Banishment. Eriends (replyed Ed. Wharton to you) Have a care what you do, for if you murder me, my blood will lie heavy upon you. Ramson answered, Edward Wharton, attend to your Sentence of Banishment; (strange work, and strange proceedings!) You are, upon pain of Death, to depart this furisdiction, (though he was one of that Jurisdiction, and had an House therein that cost him near one hundred pounds; the Line for the measuring of the Ground, for which your Governour when it was mea-

this is so? yet so it is) it being the eleventh of the instant 11th. 1rst. March, by the one and twentieth of the same, on the pain of month 166°. Death.

A cruel Sentence, and most severe to be given to a man for

fured to him first did hold; and this is your Correction for his Hair, and his Hat; Will Generations to come believe that

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his Hat, and Hair; for those were the Crimes that were laid to his Charge, (Edward replyed to you) Friends, I am a single man, and I have dealings with some people, it were good I had time to make clear with all, and then if you have power to murther me you may; (see the resolution and Fustice of a man, led by, and given up to ferve the Truth; he would owe nothing to any man, and would have time to discharge his Creditors; and then can lay down his Life in your time and hour, if the Lord shall permit, for his Testimony to the Truth) Hereupon your Governour, and Ramson, having laid their heads together, John Endicot, your Governour said, If me should give him an hundred dayesit is all one. Nay, replyed Edward Wharton, I shall not go away, therefore be careful what you do. which by your Law was death, if within those daves he were found within your Turifdiction, sho told you, He should not go out, he should not go the ty, therefore warned you of his blood; nevertheless you would give him but ten dayes more, namely, to the last of the said month; A short time for a man to rid him from his House and business, never to return, but with the expectation of the loss of his life; and which also shewed what little regard you had to the Countrey, that would give him no more time to satisfie his engagements therein, which being not satisfied, the Countrey suffered; and yet you Banish him upon pretence of your love to the Country; which the Country may take notice of, that they may distinguish between thems who desire liberty, not for their lives, but to discharge their engagements to the Countrey; and you, who will neither give liberty sufficient, nor life to discharge the Countrey : Generations to come, if these do not, will see, and judge the difference, and condemn you for a Generation of cruel men, who pretend to the Countrey, to ferve thereby your cruelty on the Countrey, and the Innocent. So having received his Sentence, the Court being very full of People, Edward cryed aloud in the midst of them, and said, All people take notice what horrible, wicked, and unjust men these are, for after they had unrighteously taken me from my house, where, when the Constable came in, I was found following my honest Calling, in the

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fear of the Lord, be forced me out, and led me along (with his black Staff) the Countrey, like some evil doer, to the Governours House; where I asked the Governour, What he had to Charge me withal, who said, You shall know hereafter. And now they have kept me almost a year close Prisoner, night and day, they have Banished me on pain of Death, and for ought I know, they will murther me, and yet they have nothing to charge me withal, but my Hat, and my Hair.

But charged with nothing but his Hat and his Hair.

Hereupon up started your Secretary Rawson, and taking the Book of Records, read to the People, How that contrary to Law, Edward Wharton had travelled up and down with W. Robinson, and Marmaduke Stevenson, (a sore Crime indeed) for which a man must be Banished his Habitation upon pain of death, for travelling the Countrey with two Servants of the Lord, who did none any wrong, whom you had murthered. To which Edward replyed, What readest thou that for? have ye not plowed blood-furrows on my back for that already, although you had no Law for it? It seems you had Whipt him cruelly tor it, and Imprisoned him, although (as he said) you had no Law for it; and so, if you had had Law, he had answered it; yet your right hand of Iniquity (Ramson) would needs have flopt the people in the mouth with that for which he had so suffered, as the Cause or Reason wherefore he was now Banished : See what unrighteousness dwells in your Habitations, and how full of deceit your coverings are; but the Righteoms God sees you, who will render unto you according to your deeds.

Rawson being thus repulit, up stands your Deputy Governour Billingham, and to mend the matter, or rather to carry it on with blood and cruelty, where the other could not with Law, and he would have him Whipt, and carried to Prison again, though he was ordered to Banishment; (Oh what tossings, and tumblings, and turnings up and down to destroy the Innocent, and to wear out the Servants of the most high God, are here, for their Testimony to him.) And Humphrey Adderton, your Major General, (of whom, and the just Judgements of God upon him, I have hereafter to speak) who when Mary Dyar was murthered by you, his Souldiers came in a glorying manner, giving a valley of shot about the Court-bouse, which

your Governour was offended with, not that such tryumphs tone Richard were unseemly, but because Priest Wilson's Wife was sick, Weight, your and that would disturb her; And to some other of our Friends, when Mary hereafter to be related, he said, That Mary Dyar hung as a Dyar was ex-+ flag for them to take warning by) said to Edward Wharton, ecuted, came You have your liberty in the Court, therefore do you be quiet, with his Hat (see what you account a disturbance, when a man Sentenced to your Court, to such a suffering without ground of Law, speaking of the saying, If it injustice and cruelty offered him, as being so Sentenc'd, for pease your what he had formerly fuffered, though without Law, which Wormps, Mrs. Dyer is Ramson would have put upon him) therefore do you be quiet, or turned off. So else depart the Court, which he commanded him to do. vaunting over

So that Court you finished your will on William Ledra, whom ber. you Sentenced to death, and John Chamberlain, and Robert we. Ledia Sen-Harper (whom you Banisht on pain of death ) and his Wife John Chamb. upon pain of Imprisonment; and returned W. Ledra to Pii- and Rob. Harson, in order to Execution, which on the fourteenth of the per to Banishsame month, after your Lector was ended, your Sacrifice of Rob. Harpers

blood you performed in manner following.

Wife to Impri-Your bloody Sacrifice being ended, as aforefaid, which you ment. usually performed, when you murthered the Innocent, in imi. 14th. 118t. tation of Jezebels Fast, before Naboth was set on high, (high mon. 166°. Religious pretences for the height of blood, Priests and Pul-W. Ledia led pits serve to whet you on, to cut off that, or those in whom it is, &c. which is come to manifest the deceit and cruelty of you and your Priests: so going to your Altar, and then washing your hands in the blood of the Innocent, contrary to what the Prophet said, I will wash my hands in Innocency, and so will I Psal. 26. 16. compass thine Altar, O Lord. Your Governour came up, and a quard of Souldiers to the Prison, who being to receive the Innocent for Sacrifice, off his Irons were knockt, with which he had lain down, and rifen up, being chained to a Log, during a milerable and cold Winter, as aforesaid, according as your Jayler said anto him, when he asked the Fayler, When shall my Irons be taken off, When thou art going to be hang'd, said your unmerciful Fayler, as hath been related. So William The Passages. having taken his farewel of Wenlock Christifon, (who freely came into the Court as his second, or follower in the Telli-

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mony of the Lord, with his Life in his hand, as hath been spoken) and the rest of his Friends, then in bonds for the same Testimony, with most tender imbraces and answers of love, as a sheep dumb before the Shearers, when they called him, went forth to the flaughter, in the meekness of the Spirit of Felus, whose Testimony he bare millingly, resigned up in the Will of the Lord, to seal the truth of which, he testified with his blood, which you were ready to spil, whom your Guard encompassed round about, to prevent his Speech with Friends, or his speaking with any, (as you did when you murthered our other three Friends, causing the Drums to beat, that none might bear it; a more then Turkish cruelty) which Edward Wharton perceiving, and how your Guard strove to prevent his speaking with William, said, Friends, What will ye shew your selves worse then bloody Bonners brood? (and well might be so say, when as no such thing is Recorded of Bonner; and is beyond the prefident of the English Nation, which usually detests such barbarisms) What will you not let me come near my suffering Friend before you kill him? Oh said one + Edward, It will be your turn next, (who was so little in fear of you, that (as hath been before said) he told you, He would not go from you, when you Sentenc'd him to Banishment upon pain of death; and now accompanied his suffering Friend to the Tree, though under your observation and malice for so doing, who could kill all that were friendly to any whom your cruelty did kill. And said Oliver, your bloody Captain, (who led the Guard that murthered the former, and whose Drums beat that they might not be heard, when he led them to the Tree) coming again to Edward, If you speak a word, I will stop your mouth, (what micked proceedings are here, that men defign'd to be murthered, must neither speak, nor be spoken to) What hast thou to do, James, to threaten me thus? faid Edward. Oliver replyed, I am appointed to keep the Countries peace here. Which was (as it feems) thus to stop the mouth of the Innocent, and to forbid any one from speaking unto them, when you are about to kill them; And this is New England, and the Government of them, who for Religion do kill.

f Anthony Chickley of Boston.

To the Tree.

So to the foot of the Ladder your Guard brought this Inno-

cent Servant of the Lord, and pinnioned bis Arms, where be took leave of his Friend Edward Wharton, as he was about to ascend the Ladder, To whom he said, All that will be Christs Disciples, must take up the Cross: and standing where your Guard ordered him, with an exceeding fresh and living countenance, he spake to the people, and said, For bearing my Testimony for the Lord against Deceivers, and the Deceived, am I brought here to Suffer. Which took much with the People, and wrought tenderness in many, seeing his meek and chearful suffering, and hearing what he said; which an old said to the file + Priest which was there, with a Woman behind him, attend-len the Priest ing the Execution, perceiving, to take off the edge of the people, and to quench the tenderness that sprang in them, with a falle tongue, and bloody heart, cryed out, and faid, People, I would not have you think it Strange, to see a man so willing to die, (so he was not afraid to die, by the confession of one of your own) for it is no new thing; And you may read, how the Apostle saith, That some should be given up to strong delusions, and even dare to die for it,

Now I would fain know where the Apostle so saith. I am fure it is not contained in the Scriptures of Truth; and where then is this your old Priests Record, who with a lie in his mouth, and that of the Scriptures, and the holy Man of God. fought to quench the tenderness that arose in the People, to this holy Man of God for his Testimony to the Truth. These be your Teachers, and these are your Guides, false and blind Leaders of the blind, and so it is no marvel that you both fall into the Ditch. Indeed the Apostle saith, That yet perad- Rom. 5. 7. venture for a good man one would even dare to die. Where hath be said what is before afferted? Men had need to know something else then such cheats as these, as dare put a lie upon the Scriptures of Truth, and the Apostle of Christ Fesus, which commended what he faid to that of God in every mans Confcience, and dared so to do; but this man dared to belie them both, to stifle the Witness of God that arose in the people. This is one of the blind Guides of New England, who lead their Disciples into blood, the blood of the Innocent; and this is one of your Shepherds, who cause you to err, and hurl you to blood

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blood, to draw the Wrath of the Lord, and his Vengeance upon you, that there be no remedy; thus much for the Priest. But as for William, as a man who was gathered up to God, and in peace with him, for whom he suffered; As the Murtherer. was putting the Halter about his Neck, in the meekness and sence of Christ Fesus, said, I commit my Righteeus Cause unto thee, O God. So your Murtherer making haste, being charged To to do; and turning of the Ladder, as the Ladder was turning off, William Ledra, the suffering Lamb, and Servant He is put to of Fesus Christ, who there thought not his Life dear to Death. for the Testimony of his Truth, cryed out, Lord Fesus receive my Spirit. Who rests with the Lord, and whom he received, who because of him you would not suffer to live amongst you, but cut him off from the earth; for which the Lord will cut you off, and render unto you according to your deeds. The fourth person, that for bearing Testimony to the Name of the Lord, and barely for being such a one as is called a Quaker, and coming into your Turisdiction, without wronging of any, or being convicted of one Opinion, or Principle that is contrary to Godliness, ye have thus flain, and hung upon a Tree; after the many other most exquisite Sufferings, that at times before they received at your hands, as hath been formerly made mention of, in this, and the former Treatise, whose blood you have to answer for, and which together makes up a sum of Judgements upon you, for which the Lord will not pardon you, but as you have loved blood, so blood shall be given you, It is the Word of the Lord: and all the Judgements which the Servants of the Lord have testified, as of you, and as coming upon you, shall come upon you, and you shall not escape; the issue will prove that what hath been faid, is so, and hath been accomplished, to which I leave it, and return to what yet remains of your account for the sufferings of the Innocent.

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His last words

death.

William Ledra's Body being dead, by your forcing the natural Life out of it, by which it lived, and cruelly murthering him; I say, This his Body being dead, your Executioner cut it down; and lest it should be as barbarously used as were the Bodies of William Robinson, and Marmaduke Stevenson, whom before you had murthered in that place, and whose Bodies be(27)

ing siff, your Executioner cut down, and let fall to the ground, none holding them when they were so cut, to the breaking of the Scul of William Robinson, as in the former Treatise is mentioned, (an action molt barbarous.) Edward Wharton, and + two Friends more attended the fall of it, and having + Robert catch't it in their Arms, laid it on the ground, until your Mur- Harper, and derer had stript it of the Cloaths, who when he had so done, John Chamconfest he was a comely man (as he was) and Mary Dyar a berlaine, and comely woman, and the rest well ordered men according to Philip Verise their years, who, it feems, wanted nothing, or had it not within them, but your spirit of blood, for which you slew them; Ages and Generations to come (as I have often faid) will hardly believe that fuch things as these should be said of you, as so done by you; they are Actions so barbarous, so rude, so inhumane, so bruitish, so devilish, so contrary to the Spirit of Christ, whom you seem to profess, but put to death the Witnesses of him; who build the Tombs of the Prophets, and garnith their Sepulchres, as they did of old, and fay, If you had lived in the dayes of your Fathers, you would not have flain the Servants, the Prophets; so ye bear witness unto your selves, That you are the Children of those that killed the Prophets, fill ye up the measure of your Fathers, ye Serpents, ye Generation of Vipers: How can ye escape the Damnation of Hell?

His Body being stript, the Friends aforesaid were suffered And buried by to take, and lay it in a Coffin, and to bury it where they thought Friends. meet, which the out-cry of the Countrey (it's like) lead unto, because of your Murderer's drawing the Bodies of the said

W. Robinson, and Marmaduke Stevenson, very barbarously by the Legs into the Hole that near the Gallows was digged for them, after their shirts were ript off, which place, a Friend (old Nich. Upshal) endeavoured to Impale; and stuff being brought for that purpose, because it was an open Field, where Beasts might have turned their Bodies up, and so prey'd upon them, you threatned to pull down, if it should be put up, as in the Book of the sirst Part of our Friends Sufferings (by your

hand) is more at large rehearsed; so thinking them not fit to live on the Earth, nor to be buried as, or among, men.

Well, thus far of this cruel Murder, and the manner thereof,

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fo far as at this distance have come to hand, and your proceedings thereupon, which I have reckoned together, that in one Period I might make an end of this bloody Tragedy, wherein (as you see) you are concern'd. I shall now return a little back in point of time, and see how your lips twittered after another draught of blood, and your stomachs rould, whilst your Janizaries fore't a Dinner of blood for you from the life of the other.

Yet before I pass to what remains, I cannot omit one passage, which is concerning a Speech that was given out to cover your cruelty. That if William Ledra would, he might go out of Prison, as if it were his own fault that he there remained; of which proof being made by one Thomas Wilkie a stranger, who was a Spectator of this bloody Tragedy, and it being found by him to be a lie, he wrote thereof to George Lad, a Master of the America of Dartmouth, then at Barbadoes, which (with the rest of that passage) I shall rehearse in his own words, which according to the Copy of his Letter, is as followeth.

#### Boston, the 26th. of March, 61.

N the fourteenth of this Instant, here was one William Ledra put to death, the people of the Town told me, He might go away if he would; but when I made further enquiry, I heard. the Marshal say, That he was chained in Prison, from the time he was Condemned, to the day of Execution. I am not of his opinion; but yet truly me thought the Lord did mightily appear in the man; I goes to one of the Magistrats of Cambridge, which had been of the Court that Condemned him, as he told me himself; And I asked him by what rule he did it. He answered me, that he was a Rogue, a very Rogue: But what is this to the question? I said, Where is your Rule ? He said, He had abused Authority. Then I goes after the man, and asked him, Whether he did not look on it as a breach of Rule, to slight and undervalue Anthority? And I Said; That Paul gave Festus the Title. of Honour, though he were a Heathen; I do not fay those Magistrates

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gistrates are Heathens; I faid then, when the man was on the Ladder, he looked on me, and called me Friend, and faid, Know that this day I am willing to offer up my life for the Witness of Jesus. Then I desired leave of one of the Officers to heak: I said, Gentlemen, I am a stranger both to your Persons and Countrey, and yet a Friend to both; and I creed aloud. For the Lords sake take not away the mans life: I said. Remember Gamaliels Counsel to the Jews, If this be of God it will stand, if not, it will come to nothing; but be careful you be not found fighters against God. And the Captain faid, Why had you not come to the Prison? and the Reason was, Because I heard the man might go if he would; and therefore I called him down from the Tree, Come down William, I faid, You may go away if you will. The Captain Oliver faid, It was no fuch matter: and asked, What I had to do with it? And besides, told me to be gone; and I told him, I was willing, for I cannot indure to see this I said; and when I was in the Town, some did feem to sympathize my grief; but I told them, They had no warrant from the Word of God, nor President from our Countrey, nor Power from his Majesty, to hang the man.

I rest your Friend,

Thomas Wilky.

Your Governour having been at the Prison, when the Guard was there, for the Execution of W. Ledra, and your Souldiers having him out to the place of Execution, as the Jews did Jefus, your Court sat, and you hoped (no doubt) but that now you were Paramount, and all must bow to you; now that you had ascended your bloody Throne, and that the blood of the Innocent you dare to draw again in the fight of the people; at least, that the death of W. Ledra would abate, or cool, or bring under the Spirit of Truth in Wenlock Christison, whom you had in hold, who came in upon you when you were trying W. Ledra, to warn you of sheding any more Innocent blood, who seared you not, whom you sent to Prison, as aforesaid; who speaking a few words to the people, who in great multitudes flockt about the

(30) the Prison, when W. Ledra was had out for death, your Jayler put into a hole, and now you caused to be drawn to your Judgment Seat, to see whether your bloody face would fright him, whom the Sentencing of his Friend to death would not make to be afraid; and so for him you send to be brought before you, whilst the other was upon the execution, and to him you say, Except you will renounce your Religion, your shall surely die. Your Governour, John Endicot, and Deputy Governour, Richard Bellingham, being both present, this Mahometical, and grand Sulfamth vapour, nothing afrighted Wenlock Christison, but the Power of God in him, for which he suffered, listed him up above your bloody Throne, and suffering, and threats of blood, and the Spirit of the Lord which now mas, in a manner finishing in W. Ledra, who was offering up, and who by the eternal Spirit was offered up, notwithstanding all the height of your cruelty, whom you thought by example of him thus to terrifie, instead of shrinking from, came upon you, and made him able to say, Nay, I shall not change my Religion, nor seek to save Chistison, cal-my life, neither do I intend to deny my Master; but if I lose my led, and charg-life for Christs sake, and the Preaching of the Gospel, (for he was swer for his a Minister) I shall save my life. Which noble valour for the Truth, so returned upon you, and gave you tuch a check, that after a few more words, though you smote at his life, you sent him away to Prison again, without being able to take it, and left him there to be kept till your next Court, which was to be in the third and fourth months, 1661. And W. Ledra being dead, after some little space of time, that these things were Stratton, who transacted, news coming of the certainty thereof, a certain madebis grave + person in tenderness said to Wenlock, Oh, thy turn is next;

The Court being come to sit, which was in the third and fourth months, 1661. The Lord mingled a spirit of confusion The Court con- amongst you, that you were in a manner broken, nor could you hold together to put to death the Innocent; the sence of the Innocent blood that ye had spilt, and which you were ready to spill, and the consequence thereof being so weighty on some of you, that they could not confent to the putting of this Servant of the Lord to death, who thus came upon you in the

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Wenlock Life.

He is sent to Prifon. 3d. & 4th. month, 1661 + Elipheld cloths for him. To which he replyed, The Will of the Lord be done. And had before

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Power of the Lord, when you were upon the Trial of W. Ledra for death, insomuch that your Governour, John Endicot, was wrath, and went away from the Court disconten- The Governour ted, and kept from it for the space of two dayes, which fore wroth, and riftroubled those of you which panted after the blood of the Inno-ted cent, that they prevailed with him at length to come, having He is prevailassured him, that if he would so do, and perform his place, ed with, to sit and discharge his duty, they would proceed against Wenlock . according to their Law. See what work here is, and what travel and conspiracy to take away the life of the Righteons from the earth, Simeon and Levi, John Endicot, and those of you that thirsted after blood, Brethren, Instruments of cruelty are in your Habitation; Oh my Soul, come not thou into your fecret, unto your Assembly, mine Honour be not thou united, may it be feid of you, as it was by old Jacob, of those his Sons, Gen. 49.5, 6. Cursed be your anger, for it is sterce; and your wrath, for it is cruel: I will divide you in Faceb, and scatter you in Ifrael, saith the Lord, as it was said to them in the following words, verf. 7.

Well, joyn he doth with you, (for I have Relation in this, The Governour onely to those of you, who together joyned to destroy the In- and Court fit nocent) and now you are become a bond again, and made up again.

(a fort of you) to finish your black work, and deed of darknels, at which (as I may fay; for it is man against man, one professor of liberty of Conscience against another; those that fled for Conscience, destroying for Conscience; men who were made with natural affection, which that which I have to nominate hath not) Hell would be abashed, and the black Center of everlasting darkness would, if it could, or if it were proper so to say, (in the aggravation of the height of your wickedness I speak it, wanting wherewithal to compare you, or words to utter you as you deserve) hide it self, and creep into obscu-

rity for evermore, and after two weeks, the space of time of The Sunin the the revolution of these your Consparacies of blood, during firmament which the natural Sun in the Firmament shone not; A re-two weeks, the markable demonstration, both of the displeasure of the Lord space of time against that your work, and the nature of the work which you of their con-were then about, black within, and black without. The his Life.

true figure and representation of this your wickedness and Work.

He is brought to the Bar.

And sryed.

So you being agreed, before the Judgement Seat Wenlock was brought, and to your Bar, who thither came in a good dominion, because he felt the Power of God over all, who being there let, your Governour asked him, What he had to fay for himself, why he might not die? I have done nothing worthy of death, (teplyed Wenlock) if I had, I refuse not to die. Thou

of the same mind now, who are turnthe King?

+ But are you art come in amongst us (said another of you) in Rebellion, which is as t the fin of Witchcraft, and ought to be punished, (ye Blasphemers, do you set your selves in the place of God, ed Rebels to Who decree unrighteous Decrees, and write Grievances that ye have prescribed? And do you call the breach of these things, your Laws of blood, in a man that through obedience to the Lord is come into your Dominion, as the Rebellion of Saul to God?

Do you set your Posts by his Posts? He'l dash you to pieces) The passages I came not in among you in Rebellion, (answered Wenlock) but Of his Tryal. in obedience to the God of Heaven, not in contempt to any of you, but in love to your Souls and Bodies, and that you shall know one day, when you and all men must give an account of your deeds done in the Body. Take heed (said he) for you cannot escape the Righteous Judgements of God. Then said your Major General Adderton, You pronounce Woes and Judgements, and those that are gone before you pronounced Woes & Judgements but the Judgements of the Lord God are not come upon us yet; (This is that your Major General, of whom I shall by and by have occasion to speak, and of the dreadful and Righteons Judgements of the Lord that came upon him) Be not proud (replyed Wenlock) neither let your Spirits te lifted up God doth but mait, till the measure of your Iniquity be filled up, and that you have

Wenlock's Prophecy of Judgement on New England run your ungodly race, then will the Wrath of God come upon you to the uttermost; And as for thy part (see the Prophecy that soon

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And in parti-after was fulfilled) it hangs over thy head, and is near to be G. Adderton, poured down upon thee, and shall come as a Thief in the Night suddenly (and how soon after came it to pass, and in the manner as is afterward said?) when thou thinkest not of it.

> By what Law (said Wenlock) will ye put me to death? We have a Law, (replyed you) and by our Law you are to die.

So faid the Fews of Christ (Wenlock replace) We have a Law, and by our Law he ought to die. Who impowered you (said he) to make that Lam? One of you answered, We have a Pattent, and are the Patentees, Judge whether we have not power to make Laws? Wenlock replyed again, How have you power to make Laws repugnant to the Laws of England? Nay, faid your Governous. Then (answered Wenlock) you are gone beyond your bounds, and have forfeited your Pattent; and this is more then you can answer. And he cryed out, and said, Are you Subjects to the King, year or nay? What good will that do you, replyed your Secretary? (See how the matter touch't you; I shall have more to deal with you about this anon) What will you infer from that? Wenlock answered, If you are, say so, for in your + Petition to the King, you desire that he would protect + See your you, and that you may be worthy to kneel among this Royal Sub-Address. jects, (we shall see anon whether you have done as you have faid, when your Rebellion to the King, in his Commissioners, and his Orders, I shall draw before you) or words to that effect. To which one of you faid, Yea. Then Wenlock an-Iwered and faid, So am I, and for any thing I know, am as good as you, if not better; for if the King did but know your hearts, i This your as God knows them, he would see (and the issue hath proved it) Pretence or Plea of the that your hearts are as rotten towards him, as they are towards Law for le-God. Therefore seeing that you and I are Subjects to the King, I suites is andemand to be tryed by the Laws of my own Nation. You shall swered in the be tryed (replyed you) by a Bench, and a Jury. That is not former Relathe Law, (said Wenlock) but the manner of it; for if you will 78. wherein it be as good as your word, you must fet me at liberty, for I never appears, that heard, nor read, of any Law that was in England to hang Qua- no Shelter for kers. Your Governour replyed, that there was a Law to that Law; fo hang + Fesuites. Wenlock answered, If you put me to death, you may be sait is not because I go under the name of a fesuite, but a Quaker; tissied, for the therefore (said he) I do appeal to the Laws of my own Nation. Law will hang Then one of you said, That he was in your hands, and had Rebellion, vabroken your Law, and you would try him. Wenlock denyed then helter to be tryed by your Law; yet the Fury you caused to be called you for hangover, and you told him, He had liberty to object against them, ing Quakers, instead of Jeor any of them. Wenlock still appealed to the Law of his own fuites. Nation.

Nation; but fill you cryed out, That you would try him: He appeals to and so denyed his Appeal. Then (said Wenlock) your will is your Law, and what you have power to do, that you will do England a And seeing that the fury must go forth on my life, this I have fift, and second time. His appeal is to say to you in the Fear of the living God, Jury take heed what you do, for you swear by the living God, that you will true tryal denyed. make, and just Verdict give according to the evidence; Jusy look for your Evidence, What have I done worthy of death? keep your hands out of Innocent blood. To which one of the Iury replyed, It is good Counsel.

The Fury go guilty.

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So away they went, but having received their Lesson from They find him you, and being of the same spirit, quickly brought him in guilty; whereupon your Secretary faid, Wenlock Christison. hold up your hand; I will not (faid Wenlock) I am here, and can hear thee. Then he cryed, Guilty, or not Guilty. I deny all guilt, (replyed Wenlock) for my Conscience is clear in the fight of God. Your Governour answered, The Fury hath condemned thee. But he answered, The Lord doth sustifie The Court di-me, who are thou that condemnest? Then you voted as to the

vided : some his Sentence. The Governour thereupon in a rage, and upon deparzure again.

The Court votes, and fome diffent, os Richard Ruffel, and others.

commands the drunk, he said, I thank God, I am not afraid to give Fudgedistenters to ment. (See to what a narrow Arait things were brought, that be recorded. He gives Sen- he was constrained to force over Judgement in himself.) Wentence of death. lock Christison, hearken to your Sentence, You must return unto The Sentence,

Sentence of Death, and were in a manner confounded : for ferefuse to vote veral could not vote him quilty of death, and so to death Sentence him, so far the Witness of God of the innocency of the man prevailed. Then said your Governour, after they had voted once, and some of them would not consent, I could find in my heart (such a thirst had he after the blood of the Innocent) to go home, being in a great rage; and so milbehaved himself on the Seat of Judgement, that he furiously flung something on the Table. Wenlock cryed, It were better for thee to be at home, then here, for thou art about a bloody piece of work. Whereupon your Governour put the Court to vote again, which they did, notwithstanding there were some of you that would not consent, which inflamed your Governour, and filled him The Gover- with Wrath, so that he stood up, and said, You that will not nour wroth & consent, Record it. And being drunk with blood, like a man

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the place from whence you came, and from thence to the place of Execution, and there you must be banged until you be dead, dead, dead, upon the thirteenth day of June, being the fifth day of the week. Which being thus cruelly pronounced, Wenlock Chri- Wenlocks stison cryed, and said, The Will of the Lord be done, in whose speech after will I came amongst you, and in his Counsel I stand, feeling his his Sentence. eternal Power, that will uphold me until the last gast, I do not And Prophesie question it. Moreover he cryed, saying, Known be it unto you that no more all, that if you have power to take my life from me, that my Soul Quakers should shall enter into everlasting Rest, and peace with God, where you be put to death your felves shall never come: And if you have power to take my by them. life from me, the which I do question, I do believe you shall ne. + Eliz. Hooton ver more take Quakers lives from them, (note my words) do not Joan Brokesup think to meary out the living God, by taking away the lives of his Mary Malins, Servants, what do you gain by it? for the last man that you put Kath. Chaitam to death, here are + five come in his Room; and if you have Sackcloth & power to take my life from me, God can raile up the same princi- Ashes) John ple of Life in ten of his Servants, and fend them among you in Burstow, Geo. my room, that you may have torment upon torment, which is your Wilson, beportion, For there is no peace to the Wicked, (aith my God.

Then your Governour said, Take him away, so to Prison he was brought, being in much peace, and resting in sweet peace and quietness of Spirit, where and out of thence, and be was detained from the fifth day to the third day of the week following, at which time one of your Marshals, and a Constable, came in to him, in the Prison, with an Order from the Court for his enlargement, with seven and twenty more of the Friends of Truth then in Prison for their Testimony to the Truth, who faid. They were ordered by the Court to make him acquainted with their new Law; faid Wenlock, What means this? Have you a new Law? Yes, said they. Then you have deceived most people, said Wenlock. Why? said they. Because, said Wenlock, they did think the her Children, Ralph Al-Gallows had been your last Weapon, Have you got more yet? Yes, said they; Read it, said Wenlock; which they did. Then Wenlock Said, Your Magistrates said, That your Law was a good and wholsome Law, made

He is fent to Prison, that Jurisdiction dieven, with 27. more, viz. Joh. Chamberlain, Joh. Smith and Margret bis Wife, Mary Trusk, JudithBroun, Pet. Person, Geo. Wilson, Joh. Larflow, Eliz. Hooto, Joan Broklup, Mary Malins, Cath. Chattam, Mary Wright, Hanna Wright, Sarah Burden, Sarah Coleman, and 3 or 4 of lin, Will. Allin, Richard Kerby.

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for your peace, and the Safe-quard of your Country; what are your hands now become weak? the Power of God is over you all. Then the Prison doors were set open, and twenty seven more besides Wenlock were turned forth, as aforesaid, whereof two were stript to the Waste, and made fast to a Caris tayl, and Two stript & Whipt through the Town of Boston, with twenty cruel stripes Peter Pearson on their naked Backs and Shoulders; many mouths were o-

whipt, viz. Judith Broun pened, and the mighty day of the dreadful God was founded

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forth by the Servants of the mighty God, who wrought delive-By Sword, and rance for his chosen Vessels; so into the Wilderness they were Gun. Into the driven by your Sword, and Clubmen, who had received Orders from you thus to force them out of your Jurisdiction, which they performed; Glory, glory, be given unto the Lord over all, saith my Soul, who never leaves nor forsakes the Righteous, but redeems his faithful Ones out of all their troubles; praise the Lord all his Saints, who are upon the Rock of Ages; and the Gates of Hellicannot prevail against you, saith

Wenlock Christison.

One thing more I think convenient to touch at, ere I pass from this Particular, which concurred in the Wildom and Counsel of the Lord, to break this wicked Law of yours for blood, and to wear it out; you have heard how Wenlock Christison being Banished upon pain of death came in the dread, and Power, and motion of the Eternal God upon you, with his Life in his hand, when you had William Ledra before you, at the time you Sentenced him to die, whom you had not power to put to death, though you had him before you whillt you were Executing William, but referved him to your next Court; and now Ed. Wharton your next Court being come, Edward Wharton aforesaid (whilf you were trying Wenlock for his Life) being an Inhalitant of Salem, and a House-keeper, and Banisht upon pain of death. came upon you also for his Life; who being at his House in

> Salem, at the time of your fitting, which he knew, and being sensible of the consequence of his being within your Jurisdiction, after the expiration of his dayes for stay, after his Sentence, and of what might prove the Confequence, according to the rate of your cruelty, which had spared no man; as a man not afraid of your Law, or his Life, in the noble-Spirit of

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Truth, which gives to overcome and look death in the face. and makes a man not to be afraid what man can do unto him. as a man not thunning, but feeking you; not being terrified by, but giving the opportunity of looking you in the face, and your Valley of Achor, which an + old Prieft of yours faid of your + Thomas Gallows, (as aforesaid) wrote to you to fignifie, That where- Thatcher, as you had Banisht him on pain of Death, yet was he at Home at Writes to the his House in Salem, and could not go away; and therefore in- Salem, to tell timated to you, To take off your wicked Sentence from him, that them he was he might go about his occasions out of your Jurisdiction; accord- there. ing as he taid unto you when you Sentenc'd him, Friends, have nished on pain a care what you do, for I shall not go from you; which was, of death; but when you had W. Ledra before you, when you Sentenc'd him was not fent to death, (as hath been said.) So five came upon you, as to for, though he death, upon the Tryal of Wenlock Christison, after your barba-thus came uprous Murthering of W. Ledra, as Wenlock told you as aforefaid, and that if you should have power to put him to death (which he told you, he did question; and as it appears, he was not without ground for his Faith) The Lord would bring ten more upon you; for the Spirit of the Lord can never be wearied out. and you were mistaken to think that by all your cruelties, yea by death it felf, you could wear out the Saints of the most high God, who with his Power he armed against you in the naked proof of Truth, and brought upon you, all which gave you occasion to think with your felves, and instead of cutting off any more of the Servants of the Lord, to cut off your own Law with your own hands, and to put death at a greater distance, seeing that the present Execution did not accomplish; and to try what living cruelties could effect, which in a manner (faving that the life remained) was worse then death, which you placed upon the foot of cruelties, Whippings through your Towns out of the Jurisdictions; and so again and again, and then Banishment; and then to be hang'd for incorrigible Rogues, as your said Law mentions.

So fee your miss, and learn to beware, left you hasten the Judgement that hangs over your heads, which will render un-

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Whilft the Hand of the Lord so wrought with you in New Old England, by the blood of his Servants, and their offering up with the King themselves to blood, and resisting unto blood, breaking your bloody Law; it will not be amiss to shew how he wrought in Old England, and what influence the blood and sufferings of the Innocent, and your other dealings had with the King, who

Concurring for the faving of the lives of Friends, &c.

for some while before was returned to his Regal Jurisdiction in England, whom you feemed to kneel before with your lips, when your hearts were far from him, who by your Agent Liverets, had presented him with an Address looking this way, and by your private Instructions to him, and others, rowing another, as by and by I shall give to understand.

The King Ordeis.

The King being informed of your bloody work, and what cruelty you had exercised, and how you had denyed appeals to England, and reading the passages of Daniel Denison your sometimes Major General, mentioned in the former Treatise, page 66. viz. This year you will go to complain to the Parliament, and the next year they will fend to see how it is; and the third year the Government is changed; of which he took much notice, and calling to his Lords to hear it, said, Lo, these are my good Subjects of New England; thereupon he asked when any Ship went thither, and said, I will put a stop to them, and great appeals to England, and for that purpose would A Letter to be fend a Letter to them, and gave the Friend that then was with him, (who gave him a Relation of your Cruelties, and the

Passage in writing) order to call to his Lord Chancellor, such a time, and he should have the Letter, which was punctually

written.

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performed in these words.

A'Copy of the Rusty and Well-beloved, We greet you well. Letter. Having been informed that several of Our Subjests amongst you, called Quakers, have been, and are Imprisoned by you, whereof some have been Executed, and others (as hath been represented unto Us) are in danger to undergoe the like; We have thought fit to signific Our pleasure

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pleasure in that behalf for the future; and do hereby require, That if there be any of those People called Q'akers a nongst you, now already condemned to suffer death, or other corporal punishment, or that are Imprisoned, and obnoxious to the like Condemnation, you are to forbear to proceed any further therein, but that you forthwith send the said Persons (whether Condemned, or Imprisoned) over into this Our Kingdom of England, together with the respective Crimes or Offences laid to their Charge, to the end such course may be taken with them here, as shall be agreeable to Our Laws, and their demerits; and for so doing, these Our Letters shall be your sufficient Warrant and Discharge. Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the ninth day of September, 1661. in the thirteenth year of Our Reign.

Subscribed, To Our Trusty and Well-beloved John Endicot Esquire, and to all, and every other the Governour, or Governours of Our Plantation of New England, and of all the Collonies thereunto belonging, that now are, or hereafter shall be; And to all, and every, the Ministers and Officers of Our said Plantation, and Collonies what soever within the Continent of New Eng-

land.

By His Majesties Command.

William Morris

So fulfilling the word that past me in the said page, of the said Treatise, presently after the mords aforesaid, Be not deceived, as sure as you have asted all this violence and outrage upon the Innocent, so will the Lord (if man should not, yet man shall do his Will; see how it was sulfilled in what follows, and how it was the Word of the Lord which he sulfilled) execute his Righteous Judgements upon you, yea, seven fold more, and with

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with grievous indignation will be require it of you; and this the Lord hath spoken, and he will fulfil his Word, and the time is near; and see how near it was, and how soon fulfilled, as what hath been declared makes manifest.

The Letter fent in a Ship on Shartock of Salem.

mentioned, were most Quakers, he and something it was for you to see the Quakers come became into Bo-fore you with your Judgement, whom you would Condemn ston, and said, with Fine and Death, and give Judgement upon, and jour

hurld out of obeying his 1 No. ton. Sim their cruel sufferings, the one as advising, the other as afting) tiroadstreet. must be sent with an Agency, with as much honour as your

as : gents.

The Kings Letter being received, as aforesaid, a + Ship purpose, carri- Was provided, and Samuel Shattock of Salem, one of the three ed by Samuel Banished by you, that came over here, for whose return you longed, that you might be glutted with his blood, went over With it, and a Friend of ours was Master of the Ship, one Ship arived at Ralph Goldsmith, and over your hundred pound fine for any Botton, Capt. Ship malter that shall bring a Quaker over to your Jurisdicti-Oliver, afore- on, came he, as the other did; your Law of death, which appa= went on Board, led you much, and as a Dagger to your heart, began your Judgand supposing ment, as the Power of the Lord in his Innocent Servants, the Seamen out-did your Executions, and miserably tormented you were;

as is reported, Governour Indicot boyl'd, and fretted with himself; and one There is Shat-tock, and the while he would order Samuel Shattocks Hat to be taken off, Devil and all. and another while he bad give it to him, like a mad Dog that inaps at this Man, and then at another; and your Plagues were doubled upon you, infomuch as that he that brought this Letter of the Kings, whom you thought to cut off. And that you must account to him, whom you Hypocritically had made The Quakers your address unto, for the blood and sufferings of them, who had as little love for him as them; and great hurl it made a-Col. Temple mongst you, and out must the Quakers be put of the Prisons. posts to Eng- and your Currier Colonel Temple must post before-hand, and land, arives, he must bespeak the King, with the having set the Quakers at Bespeaks the liberty, and so had obeyed his command, as a present to appease him, whose wrath you feared was kindled against you; commands in and lest things should miscarry, after him your high Priest, Quakers at lie John Norton, and Simeon Broadstreet, one of your Magistrates (who were deeply concerned in the blood of the Innocent, and

Hastened after Countrey would allow, to work down things again to your

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mind and will; that you might not bleed for, but make the Quakers to bleed. And O how did your Bowels tumble within you, to think of the issue, & what might be the consequence; And how did they bespeak you here, & with what flattering & courtship, lest your day should come upon you, and you be cormented before your time? And how did they bow to the King and the The King and Archbishop, and what good Subjects did they endeavour to ren- Archbish op der you to be? And what fear was upon them? At least Simon courted. Broadstreet, lest the murder of our Friends by you, and them, They are ashould be required at their hands? And how did they seek to fraid of their fruit into holes as to that? And how wary was Simon Broad lives, for putfreet, lest he should be intrapped in his discourse, as he ac- kers to death. counted it? And Witnesses he would needs have, to hear what was spoken, when he was friendly discoursed about their And seek to blood; whose blood he had answered for here, but that me leave hide themthings to him that judgeth righteously, who will require in due selves with feafon. And how was John Norton afraid to own, yea, how did he deny his having to do in their blood, and the other Cruelties of the Innocent, as not being present at any of those transactions, or having advised them; till a person whose Ear + John Copeyou cut, convicted him of the contrary; of whom, and his land. judgement, and his having more particularly to do in the blood of all our Friends, whom ye murdred, and his being the Incourager thereunto, I shall speak more anon: O the pants and groans, anguish and trouble that was upon you then, and what might be the consequence! Your Hearts were full of blood, your Consciences full of guilt, your hands full of cruelty, your Resolutions sull of mischief: But O ye Serpents! how did you lurk, and twine it in the ground, to hide it, to cover your heads, to save a Brush? Oh the day of Judgement was a terrible day! Oh the thoughts of the Bishops made you shake : who dar'd to wash your hands in the blood of those who dar'd to look ron in the face: Oh if the King would but now be your Friend. and let you go, and pass by all that you had done, what good Subjects would you be! how profirate would you lie! If you might be but admitted into the number of his loyal Subjects who kneel at his feet: Oh the sence of a Reckoning, how hard it was! Oh to suffer, what an uncouth thing it was! You had forgotten

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forgotten Bowels and compassion, and you had tore all tenderness, and snapt it asunder; and now suffering for your demerits was like to be your case; and you that thought you could hang the World, and murther all that came in amongst you, that were contrary unto you, now crouch under the thought that you must come to it your selves: O how comes the scene to be changed? And O how like men metamorphofed from pannick fears the highest Murderers, into the most fearful Cowards, do row appear? On what thousands of thoughts that this day was over; that the King would but forgive you, and confirm your Patent, and let you but live and reign to fuck the Blood of the Innocent. But alas, what finit did your Agents bring forth? What welcome news brought they to you at their arrival? what firms the Pat-bleffed advantage was the consequence, as to you? The King tent, but marrs confirm'd the Patent, for He thought it not reasonable, not would His Clemency admit it, that the Country, who for the most part had not sinned your transgressions, should forfeit or By his Decla. Suffer for your faults; and therefore He confirms the Patent to the Country: As for you, He had another way to deal with you. He declared Liberty of Conscience to those in the Colony, to whom you had denied it, and made them to suffer, and so did that to the Country which was the end of the Plantation, which you pretended to in going thither, but having got into the feat would give it none: And He gave liberty of Election of Magistrates, both as to the Electors and the Elected, where you reitrained, which was just; that no more might the Government run into a Faction, and a heap of Cruelty: And He allowed more Magistrates than your Number, in case there were occasion, that the administration of Fustice might be with the more equality, and with less rigor and partiality; and that the Visor of Religion might not be put over the Sacrifices of Blood; and that Memberships of Churches might not be in the admini-Aration of State, but that those things might be put in their proper Channel, and stand, as they should do, without partiality. And as for the Quakers, He pleased you with a knack as

+ The conflict to them, whom He delivered into your hands to punish, whill of N. England He held the Countrey free.

with the fruits But how did you like this? and how did these His steps of the Agency. please

please you? what comfort added all this to you? and how were your Joyes increased? did you tryumph at their return? or did you with gladness of heart cause His Declaration to be read? how liked you John Nortons Cushion that he brought from the Arch-Bishop, as was said? Oh, how paleness grew upon you! how wan your looks! how thin your Cheeks! your Hearts grew sad, you sighed: Oh, this John Norton, said some, bath brought is into bondage. What liberty for this thing and that, Magistrates to be chosen others then our selves, and others Elect them that are not of we; more Magistrates, this, in time, will unbind us; Our bloody Yoaks will be taken off, our Pomp will down our Faction will cease, we shall come into contempt; Our Ecclefialtical Policy wrapt in Civil Government, and our Civil Government in Ecclesiastical Policy; Our fetting up our selves will now down; No more (as this takes place) of fetting our selves over Soul and Body at once, the Conscience and lives of men: we must come to indifferency, we must come to nothing in comparison of what we were; we shall be loosened among our selves, untwisted, the Countrey will come in upon us, we have disobliged them, in narrowing all to our Compass, in paling Religion to our scantling; they are more then we, their Votes are more then ours, they will choose, and be chosen; farewel our day if this succeed. Oh John Norton and Simon Broadstreet, What have ye brought over? We shall be pickt out at last, we shall be sent for over to England one after another, we shall be unravelled, we shall be brought to nothing, we shall be ruined and undone if this takes place; we must think of somewhat else; as good hold it out at this distance, me can but be destroyed at last; perhaps things may change and rowl in England again, as they have rowled before; they may have troubles and engagements that may find them other work. Commissioners, We of Boston, of the Colony of the Massachusets, will not receive you, you that came to, and have reduced the Manados, we will not be reduced, Boston. your Commission shall not take place here; your Commission Kings Comwas made under an Hedge, and Sealed with yellow Wax, we'l missioners anot credit you, at least we will not seem so to do, however you bused. may think; you are come to burn our Town, what do we know what

\* This old Hathorn is fail upon a training day to have endeavouled to infinuare with the Soldiers, that the Kings Commissioners were pretended Commissioners, that their Comission was made unaer a Hedg, and Sealed with yellow wax, and that they were unman-Authority of the Countrey, To he calls your Court according to fuch manners and customs, in those that observe them, should rather stand bare to his Commissioners, and that a Souldier should reply, You have a Law to whip the Quakers for Juch things, why do ye not the same to them? Then that Said. You that are for the Kings Commissioners stand, and you that are for the Countrey and bloody Persecutor, see how they joyn together) and har theseupon fix or eight drew forth to him, & that the rest stood, and that he feering this, should fay again, Fellow Souldiers, did you hear what I said? and that they should reply, Yes; and that he endeavoured to draw them forth again as before, and that his wrath was kindled thereupon, and that he should turn, and to be made bond-flaves of. And after this the Company cashiered him, & choic Walter Price for their Captain, & that you the Court of Boston put him in again, and thatthe Company would not receive himsand play he was made Captain of the Artilery at Salem. Here is old Hathorn and his Picture, and yours, and what fine Subjects you are it appears, and how ac ording to the Laws of men, ye deserve to have the thirdTree put to those two large ones you sent to the King for a present to appeale bim, for your not fending this Rebel, and and others over here to answer what if all be laid to their charge, when he fent for them, and a Gallows made of them for him and you to be hanged thereon.

what you will do unto us : You that are for the Commissioners, stand where you are; you that are for your Countrey, draw forth to me, cries your Com nander \* Hathorn, to your men nerly, and would not put off their Hats to the in Arms. Walk up and down with Court:) but others think the Authority of your hands in your Pockets, Commisthe Countrey is the King, and that your fioners in; If you will proclaim in the Kings Name, me will in the Countries; Say the Common-prayer, and the Sacraments shall have liberty, and the Quakers, and me will whip the Quakers, and you upon their backs: be made a Speech to the Company, and stand as Cyphers if ye will, we will hold it as we can; Our new Goverfollow me, (a fine Traytor, and a notorious, nour Billingham is an old man, and it is the Winter season, and the Countrey cannot spare him, nor do wethink fit to fend old Hathorn, nor the rest pretended to be sent for to England. King Charles, we cannot believe the Order was thine, thy. hand not being to it, and it being fay to them that flood, That they deferved sounlike to thy. Fathers and Grandfathers, who confirmed our Pattent, or me will not believe it; in plain English, me will rebel; me have rebelled, reduce us as thou canst; we that after this, that he might have some hope to escape the pluck with thee; than hast many Irons in the fire, and we trust thou mayest be imployed otherways then to infest us; we meant our selves prostrate, and to have lain at thy feet, and to have kneeled amongst the number of thy loyal Subhis followers, their Governor Bellingham, jects, if thou wouldst have admitted our Dominion, and have kept alli under m, and to kneel at our Feet,

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that we might have been Lords, and to have ruled as we pleafed: On this would have liked us, but what doth all avail me whilst things are otherwise? whilst me must be bowed down and brought under, be subjected to punishment; me thought no fuch thing, nor meant it, when we made our feeming humble address to Thee; but seeing it is otherwayes, and that the matter thus turns upon us, we will make an adventure, and instead of suffering as the Quakers do, and being quiet, we will quit our selves as me can from sufferings, and me will Rule as we are able, call it what thou wilt, and do what thou canft.

we are at a point, we are determined.

So speak your Actions, and the things that you have done, and the sence your Actions give of what hath been done, and so have you said as aforesaid, which I have drawn before you. in that which knows your heart, and will render unto you according to your deeds; and put together, because indeed they. are but one thing proceeding from one root, to wit, your Rebellion and falseheartedness to the King; and your serving of your felves, when you pretended that him you would ferve, as Wenlock Christison told you, (viz.) If the King knew your bearts as God knows them, he should see them as rotten towards him, as they were to God, as aforesaid. And now you have manifested it, and shewed who are the Rebels, the Quakers. or you; who are they that are confistent with Government, either they who patiently suffer what is inflicted on them, or those that will indure nothing on them to be inflicted, but are in their own will, and will suffer nothing to be but themselves : who kill the Quakers for coming into your Jurisdiction, and will not suffer the Kings Commissioners to exercise his Authority in your Jurisdiction; so King and Quaker you put in the same equipage, that is as to denying; and when you can you. will as to something else: Appeals you deny to England, in case of life; and other sufferings, where your Laws are repugnant to the Laws of England, which voids your Charter; and the Kings Commissioners you deny, who come with Authority from. the King, though the issue be the hazard of your lives; Quahers yandeny to abide in your Jurisdiction.

The Kings Commissioners may abide, but without subjectian

on by you to the Kings Authority in your Jurisdiction; as much love you have to the King as them, and when you can, you will, and as you have opportunity you shew it. See the things are brought near together, the King and the Quakers have the same respect from you; the truth of it is, you would have none live but your felves, who square not with you; and the issue will prove that any may live but you, the hand of the Lord is against you, and his Judgments will take hold of you, and you go the way of it, and your own hands are bringing your work on your selves, and blood will be given you, for you are worthy.

Thus have I given an account of what the hand of the Lord hath brought to pass here by the King, as his Arm had wrought with you, to give a little breathing to his Innocent Servants, who bire Testimony to his Name, who loved not their lives unto the death, for whom he hath provided a Crown of Life; who have been faithful unto his Name, and through great tribulations have entered into the Kingdom of God, for whom he hath provided a dwelling place, & a City which never shal have end; whose portion is with the Lord, and who is the lot of their Inheritance, though you have cast them out of your Jurisdiction, and suffered some of them not to live amongst men.

I shall now proceed to the consequence of your wills, which notwithstanding what bath been here related, you have exercised at your pleasures, to the sore sufferings of the Innocent; therefore attend unto your charge, and hear what I have further to say unto you, in reference to the cruelties you have exercised with a hard heart, and cruei hand, on the People of the

Lord, which are as follows.

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A little before the fitting of your Court aforesaid, George Wilson being within your Town of Boston, (who afterwards in cruel Irons, which rotted his flesh, and long Imprisonment, departed this life in Virginia, for his Testimony to the Lord) ye laid hold on; and because, as he was brought to your Prison, he Judgments on cryed in the Street, as he was passing along, That the Lord N England in was coming with Fire and Sword to plead with Boston; and about the streets as that time the General meeting at Rhoad Island, about fixty miles from Boston, was set up, you made an Alarm that the Quakers were gathering together to kill the People, and to fire the Town

The Alarm It gave.

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of Boston, who spake of the Judgments of the Lord that were coming upon you, (that is to fay) George Wilson, and who only drew to Rhoad Island to wait upon the Lord, and to see the faces of one another, to wit, the People called Quakers; yet fee how your guilt pursued you, and as the Scripture faith. The wicked flees when none per [nes him; and Watch and Ward you fet upon the Passages by Sea and Land into your Town, as if the poor people, whose blood you had drawn and pursued, and who had greatly suffered, sought your blood, which they lest to the Lord, to wit, their Sufferings, and committed unto him. Thus like Cain, after he had flain his Brother Abel, thought that every one that met him would kill him; so you having flain your Innocent Brethren, thought that every one would kill you, which was but a demonstration that you were of Cain your Father, and that the like guilt pursued you as did bim; the issue will prove it, that not the People called Quakers, but your own wickedness, because of what you have done to those people, will be your ruine; so the Innocent through three of your Towns you drove (as a Butcher doth a flock of Sheep) into the howling Wildernels.

And old Nicholas Upshal, of whom I have made mention Nich Upshal in the former Treatise, and your cruelty on him, who was dies. an antient man, having not teeth to eat his Food, beeing scraped into a Spoon, and so eaten by him by reason thereof, you sentenced to Imprisonment in the Castle, or his Brothers house in Dorchester, who having been five years Banished by you, and two years Imprisoned; hath since lain down the Body in a good old Age, and full of Truth, and his Testimony theremute, which he finished with a Crown upon his Head of Glory and Renown, which shall last for ever; and this shall be a Memorial for him, from Generation to Generation, and a Record of your cruelty which you exercised upon him for his faithfulness unto the Lord, which remains with him; Thus as to them. I shall now come to speak of your Cart and Whip Act,

and what followed thereupon (your new Law, as aforefaid)

to the Servants of the Lord.

Not long after that our Friends were driven by you into the John Smith Wilderness, in the exceeding hot weather, John Smith of Sa- and his Wife, lem,

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lim and his Wife (who had long been kept in Prison by you) determined in the Lord to return to their little ones again, from whom they had been kept nigh two years, notwithstanding your Sentence to the contrary; the falling fick, having often fainted in the way, as the was by you forely driven; who going through Boston, the young Woman leaning on a Staff. being very fick and weak, your Deputy Governour Billingham met with them, who was so far from pitty or remorfe, or having Committed a- compassion towards her, that he committed them both to Pri-

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Jo. Chamber- Not long after returned Fohn Chamberlain of Boston, who was an Inhabitant thereof, being convinced at the Tree, when you nung and flew Will. Rolinson, and Marmaduke Stevenson thereon, as hath been declared in the former Treatife, and who cruelly suffered at your hands, after he was so Convict; I say not long after the seturn of the former, returned John Chamberlain and George Wilson to Boston, of whom they toon took hold, and Sentenced according to your nem Law, to be priloned, and fast tyed to a Cart tayl, and Whipt through three Towns into whipt cruelly. the Wilderness, which your Executioner most cruelly perform-G. W. pulled ing at Boston, George Wilson being loosed, fell on his knees at the Cart tayl and prayed, which he perceiving, took hold of George by the Coller, and pulled b m down, (this is your Reafter executi-ligion, and this your Devotion to hinder a man when on his on by the hang-knees at Prayer, after such cruel whipping) then through the two Towns your Executioner had them, and whipt them as in the former, saving that at the last he had got such a cruel In-Arument, that he miserably tore their flesh therewith, which they would have bought for the novelry of the cruelry, that for for the fight of it, into old England, it might have been sent: but he would not, but drove them into the Wilderness: This To. Chanter- John Chamberlaine was of your Town of Boston, a Housekeeper and Tradseman, who was convicted at the Tree when you Bartimes whift by baroufly thed the blood, and murthered the two first as aforefaid, who though one of your own Town you so used with that Barbarism as aforesaid; and by the ninth of the seventh month. 1661. had been nine times thus dealt wi hall by you, viz. three times through three Towns, most cruelly tortured after

this manner of your cruelty, whom all that you could do, was so far from beating him from the Truth, that it drove him the nearer to it, viz. to feel and abide by that, to which he was turned, to turn him from, or because of which you so abused bim, which carried him through with chearfulnels, all that from you he thus cruelly received, which is everlasting, which to him is a name and memorial which shall never rot.

Now before I proceed further, I must give you to understand how you used Fosiah Southick, whose Father and Mosthick, being ther Laurence and Cassandra, you had Banished the first; who Banished on died in a few dayes one of another in their Banishment, being pain of death Ancient People, and sometimes of your own Profession, and in O. Ps. days. Went over whose Sister Provided, you ordered to be sold, and his Brother with S. S. and Daniel, for Bond-flaves, for the paying of their Fines. So Op- N. P. to old pressing a man and his house, even a man and his Heritage, England. as the first Part of the Relation of the suffering of our Friends by you hath it more at large. This Foliab you having also Sentenced into Banishment upon pain of death, in the third month, 1659. found it with him, 25 also did Samuel Shattock called this Proand Nicholas Phelps, who were in the Same Condemnation to secution not go for England, and there to lay the cruelties you were exer- Perfecution, citing, and the way of death for the Innocent that you were in, when the faid before the then Parliament, and their Council of State, that Daniel rold before the then Parliament, and their Council of State, that him of his vibeing not ignorant of jour work, on their score it might lie if olence in that they restrained you not; who being on the Verticle Point, and particulars their day of calamity drawing near, partly because their ears were not open, as they should have been, for the helping of them, who had no helper, and relieving the Innocent, their day went over them, as it was + wrote unto them in the Name + See the of the Lord, that it should, if they did so, in this very case led, The marnof their suffering by you, and they had an end; so he stayed ings of the with the other two sometime after the Kings return, and when Lord to the a convenient opportunity presented, he and Nicholas Phelps men of this Ge-(a little after) returned, on the edge of your Law, on pain of neration, &c. death, who being found by you at Boston, for Nicholas (of And returns. whose cruel sufferings by you, the former Book makes mention) being weak in Body, and ill in Old England before his return, which went not off from him there, living at his House,

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five miles from Salem, in the Woods, after some time dyed.) I say, Fosias being found by you at Boston, where he manfully comes to Po-appeared in the face of your Law for death, you foon clapt him ston, is Impriinto Prison, and there continued him in the house of Correcti-And brought on for about the space of nine weeks: then your Court of Asfistance being come, which was in the seventh month, 1661. Court of A Mi you had him out before you, at which, according to your former Stance, 7th. month, 1661. Law, he should have been tryed for his life.

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Being brought before you, the great occasion you took a-Passages as to gainst him, was his Hat, which with you is a fault deserving death, a thing of as much ridiculousness as cruelty, that a man must die for having his Hat on; (Must such Jacks as you, said your Priest Wilson to Will. Robinson, when he was leading to Execution, come before the Magistrates with their Hats on? Mind you, mind you People, it is for my Hat I must die. said W. Robinson.) Hereupon you commanded him to pull it off; he told your Governour, He could not. You faid, He would not. He told you, It was a cross to his will to keep it on, and that what he had done on that account, was out of tenderness of Conscience, and that he could not do it for Conscience-sake. At this you wondered, that he faid it was a cross to his will. which one would think you might easily understand, seeing that his life lay at stake for it, and no man in his wits, (as we use to say) you might well have judged, would, if a greater thing did not constrain him to the contrary, hazard his life for want of putting off his Hat; for the keeping on of the Hat, you make the discrimination of a Quaker, and a Quaker coming into your Jurisdiction, or being of your selves so and so, suffering the first, second, and third time, &c. must die for it, and so you put several to death; this is no forcing upon you, but what your Law in broad letters speaks; for of Principle or Practice, contrary to Godliness, you have not convicted them, but of being Quakers, which that they are such, the Hat (you say) discovers, and so you take away their lives.

Well, much reasoning be had with you thereabouts, a most ridiculous thing, that wife, or men of understanding should stumble at, seeing its part of a mans covering, as other Garments are, which to put off when one meets a man, or comes (5I)

into a Court of Indicature, would be counted a demonstration of frensie or madness; yet you must have the Hat, and that for your honour, which a man may choose, and it is in his pleasure whether he will give it or no, not knowing the honour which cometh from God, which reacheth the heart, who believe not; for how can rebelieve, faid the Son of God, who John 5. 44. receive honour from one another, and not that which cometh from God only; I say, much reasoning he had with you thereabouts, and your unjust dealings, and unreasonable with him, he laid open, which you could not gain-fay; but your Governour He is Sententold him, That he was to have been tryed for his life, but that cedto be whipe you had made your late Law to fave his life, (fave your own, for mercy to him you had none) which you said was mercy to bim, (the same as the Wolf had to the Sheep, where he can= not, or thinks it not fafe to bite him.) Then he asked you. Whether you were not as good to take his life now, as to whip him after your manner twelve or fourteen times at a Carts tayl through your Towns, and then put him to death afterwards? 25 was the confequence of your Law, which mar'd the clamour of your lenity, which you fought to falve with a flout, viz. That it might be, that an Order by that time might come to fave his life.

So your Governour fignified his Sentence, which according to the Order was as followeth, and which I the rather infert, because it is the usual form of your cruel Executions of Whip-

pings, so much spoken of in this Treatise.

## To the Constables of Boston.

YOU are, by vertue of an Order of the Court of The Copy of Assistance, held at Boston the third Instant, re-the Warrant. quired to repair with the Executioner unto the Prison, and there, forthwith, take the Person of Josiah Southick, a Banish'd Quaker, and the Executioner is to take him, and to strip him from the Girdle upward, and to tie him to a Cart tayl, and whip him ten stripes out of Boston,

(52) and deliver him to the Constable of Rocksbury, who is also to cause him to be eyed to the Carts tayl, stript, as aforesaid, and to whip him through Roksbury, with ten stripes, as aforefaid, and then deliver him to the Constable of Dedham, who is also required to whip him at the Carts tayl with ten stripes, as aforesaid, and so discharge bim out of Our Jurisdiction: Make your several returns on the back-fide of the Warrant to the Secretary, forthwith. Dated at Boston, the 9th. of September, 1661.

By the Court.

## Edward Rawson Secretary

Which your Sentence being given, he with arms fretched His Speech out, and hands spread before you, said, Here is my Body, if thereupon.

you want a farther testimony of the Truth I profess, take it, and tear it to pieces, (a noble Spirit that out-look't your cruelty. which is the nature of Truth, and the nobility of the Spirit + The Whip thereof in those whom it leads) it is freely given up, and for your Sentence, I matter it not. And truly he was able to, and ons, is not of did say in the presence of God, That it was no more terrifying

Whip-cord, as unto him, then if ye had taken a Feather and blown up in the Air, and had said, Take heed it hurteth him not; And sure-Guis, such as ly tangue cannot express, said he, nor declare the goodness and love

of God to his suffering People.

So you caused him to be tyed at the Carts tayl in Boston, where your Hangman laid him on with what + vehemency be could: but his Spirit was fo born up, that by the Power of the Almighty, and the Springs of Life which were so opened in Hangman lays him, that with a loud shout, he could not but sing to his praise in the thickest of the People, as he was at the Carts tayl led through the Areets. They that know God to be their frength, of mest violent cannot fear what man can do, faith Tosiah Soutbick Suffetorture and ex- retiliate

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whipt him also according to your Order, the last being the Town of Dedham, which in the next morning he performed. it being very cold, for the first day he could not reach through all bis work, and from thence having brought him fifteen miles from any Town, into the Wilderness, and twenty six miles from Boston, he discharged him, who in a little time after returned, with two Friends that accompanied him, being upheld by the Spirit of the Lord, which was with him, and lifted him up above you, and all the heads of his Adversaries. And in feven or eight miles space was before the Constalle; though he had Hories, who was offended to fee him; but he travelled all night, and by Sun-rifing, he and his Friends came to his home, having onely one Horse between them, he having travelled thirty miles that night, and about fixty miles in twenty four hours, notwithstanding his back was plow'd with stripes, as aforesaid, and his flesh torn and beat, in which the Lord helped him;

So much for the Sufferings of Josiah Southick, and those other of our Friends of Truth in Boston, and the Adjacent parts thereto in your Jurisdiction. I shall now turn me a little farther off to a place called Dover, about twenty years fince taken into your Colony, in which never any of our Friends had been, whose entertainment there, and what they received at the hands of those of your own spirit, I shall something now in order relate, which may ferve at present for a little divertisement from the horrid cruelties with which you had glutted

the Town of Boston.

But before Lyet pass from Boston, the Seat of Ilood, I must ings at Boston give the Reader a little to understand how you dealt with John Jo, Chamber-Chamberlaine, in point of his then Wife, who was not altoge-lans Wife enther of the same Judgement as himself, whom you endeavou- deavoured to be red to separate from him, and to beget a wrong understanding her affections between him and her, and some other things about the same, to her husband. relating to certain then in Prison, but not of m; Yet having By R. Bellingfome relation to what I have in hand, not mentioned in the ham, Deputy former Treatise: This John Chamberlaine convinced at the Whilf he mos Tree, when you murthered W. Robinson, and M. Stevenson, in Pillon. (as aforefaid) being a House-holder in your Town of Boston,

(54) whom you followed with cruel Sufferings; if so be, that by fuch things you might have turned him again, or wearied him out of your Jurisdiction, which being not able to effect, for the Power of the Lord was near, and helped him, who suffered for his Name, you went another way to work; and your Deputy Governour Billingham, knowing that his Wife was not of the same principle altogether with bimself, be went about to draw her to deny and disown her Husband, (this was, when she and her tender Children suffered so much by his long Imprisonment; and this was the time the Tempter took to work upon her) telling her, or endeavouring to make her be-Gions that J. lieve, that when he came home again, he would murder her C.would mur-in her Bed, or some other-where; and to perswade and draw her the furer in the thing, he told her, the should not want, and that the might live with another Husband; but being not her Husband, able to prevail with all his Art on the poor Woman, who held her true affection to her Husband, and told him of these things. your Court (such was her extremity, and being with Child, and having other Children, and their Father kept from them) could not but order that he should have liberty to work in the Prison at his Calling, which was a Currier; whereupon he had his necessaries to Prison, and with the help of W. Ledra, and other Friends who were then his fellow Prisoners, who in Tove affilted him, he rid off his work apace, and his Cuftomers brought much work unto him, which your Savage Fayler after perceiving, be vexed, and fretted much, and laid. That he got more in Prison, then he would have done if he had been at liberty. It so fell out, that during this time, a young in Prilon like man was brought into Prilon for Theft, whom those, called ly to be con- Quakers, in the Prison endeavoured to convince of his evil wayes; and he being willing to hear them, report went abroad as if he were turned a Quaker; whereupon the Mother of the Lad dwelling about Scituate, hasted thither, and not liking her Sons carriage to her, (its like, not putting off bis Hat) the struck him, and by and by went to pray for him, (so smit-Ing and praying, as it were in one breath; this was one of your professing Women, who dwelt in Cains Nature) and to the Governour she went, and made her complaint, that her

ther ber, &c. And inticing her to disown

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Son was like to be a Quaker, and so to be undone, (see what reckoning is made of that which feeks to convince people of the evil of their wayes, as that which will undoe them) Your Governour fends for him, and demands of him, Whether the Quakers did show him any of their Books? Which he confessing, your Governour, rather then the Thief should Turn'dout of turn an honest man, and lest indeed he should, and which he should be conwas turning to be, notwithstanding his Theft, fet him at li-vinced. berty: and here is a way for a Thief to get his liberty, viz. to turn honest, or to that which would make him so, which that be may not be made so, you turn him out, or set him at

liberty.

Your Taylor Salter hearing this, to Prison gets he, and charges John Chamberlaine with this great Crime, of endeavouring to draw the man from the evil of his wayes, and shewing him Books for that purpose; John said, Thou shouldst not lie. Then he turned to Edward Wharton, and charged him with it; I did, replyed Edward. Then you shall up for it, faid your Tayler. Truly (faid W. Ledra) if I had Books, I (hould give them to the People. Wouldst thou? (said Salter) Then thou shalt up too. And I should do so to, said another. Then thou shalt up too, (said Salter) So up he lockt all of them in a very little room to keep them from their Friends, who were willing to reclaim the Offender, when as the Offender was fet at liberty that he might not be reclaimed.

It also fell out, that this Salter had another Thief in his Another Thief custody, who finding his Chamber door open one night, and got out of Pijthe bunch of Keys of the Prison hanging at the door, (which Jon. Salter being drunk and mad with Friends, and locking them up in a narrow Room, because they had spoke to him what was convenient) took his opportunity, and made his escape. Salter in the morning coming to the Thieves Chamber door, and finding it open, called to the Thief, George, George, for that was his name, but no answer was; so Salter made up the matter as well as he could, with him that put in the Thief, telling him, That the Quakers had let him out. Which John Chamberlaine hearing, faid to Salter in the Common Jayl, William, If we do make known thy lying thank

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thy self. Whereupon Salter in a rage lockt the outer door, and looking in at a Window, said, Now John do thy worst. And so denyed his Customers to come to him to bring him work; The Jayler's and when they demanded of him, Why they should not be suffered to bring their Leather to him? the Fayler said, It will overthrow Justice, Which his justice was, because he would have fathered the escape of this Thief on Friends who were It will over-Innocent; so to make up the matter with him that put the throw Justice. Thief in, which John hearing, cleared Friends of, as afore-And though the Court had done John so much Justice as to let him have work, though they unjustly put him, and detained him in Prison; yet this the fayler will deny, to avenge his own quarrel, because John had said right; and so set himself over the Court also, becoming Magistrate, and Court, and Executioner, because John had done Justice; so with his Ax he came, and hewed down Johns Beam, by reason of which he could not work in the Prison.

A (he Thief in Prison. Being brought to some sence

account of

Friends to

work, viz.

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Perswaded by the Fayler and others, 10 be a better be as she was before (a Thief) then a Quaker. The Wothief again.

Virginia.

Sufferings at Dover. 1662. Piscot. River.

Once more and I shall have done with this Jayl and Fayler at this present, and pass somewhere else. Moreover it fell out, that Salter had a young Woman, a she Thief in the of her wicked-Prison, who coming among Women Friends in the Prison, was brought to some sence of her evil work, and under Condemnation; which the Fayler hearing of, took her into his House, where came other people, and told her, She were

Thief rather man being thus instructed, got over that which had condemthen a Quaker ned her, and having an opportunity, went to her old work again, and stole pretty much Linnen out of Davis the Apothecaries Garden, and hid them under her Bed-cloaths; which She is fent to being found out, and the shame of their Counsel returning upon them, she was sent to Virginia. This is a Member of your Church, and your Jayler; and this is the reckoning that is made of Thievery, and that which judgeth it; and this is, as of old, preferring Barrabas before Fesus.

> In the year 1662. Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambros, who came from Old England with George Preston, and Edward Wharton of Salem aforeiaid, came to Piscotagua River, and passing up, landed at the Town aforesaid; whither to go, it was with

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them from the Lord, where they had a good opportunity in the Inn where they were, with the People that reforted to them; who reasoned with them concerning their Faith and Hope, which to the people being made manifest, some to the Truth thereof confessed; and others being not able to gainfay the Truth, ran to Rayner their Priest, and told him, That such a People were come to Town, and that they had much discourse with them about their Religion, and were not able to contradict what they said, and therefore defired him to come forth, and help them, Or else, said they, we are like to be run on ground.

At this the Priest chased and fretted, and asked his People, Why they came amongst them? To which they answered, Sir, it is so. We have been amongst them, and if you come not forth to help us, we are on ground. And said the Priests Wife, Which do you like best, my Husband, or the Quakers? Said one of them, We shall tell you that after your Husband have been with them.

Whereupon in came Rayner in a fretting and froward manner, saying, What came ye here for, seeing the Laws of the And they di-Countrey are against such as you are? But what hast thou against us? replyed Mary Tomkins. You deny Magistrates, (said the Priest ) and Ministers, and the Churches of Christ. Thou sayest (o. (replyed Mary) And you deny the three Persons in the Trimity. (said the Priest.): To which Mary answered, Take notice people, this man fally accuse in us, for Godly Magistrates, and the Ministers of Christ, we own, and the Churches of Christ we own; and that there are Three that bear Record in Heaven, which Three, are the Father, Word, and Spirit, that we own; But for the Three Persons in the Trinity, that's for thee to prove.

I will prove three Persons in the Trinity, (said the Priest.) Thou farest so, said George Preston, but prove it by the Scripture. Yes, replyed Rayner, by this I will proveit, where it is faid, And he is the express Image of his Fathers Person. But said one, That is fally T-ranslated. Yea, it is, replyed a learned man, for in the Greek, it is not Person but Substance. But said the Priest, It is Person, and so there is one Person. Thou fusest so, (said George) but prove thy other two if thou caust.

Priest Rayner

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three Somethings of the Trinity.

The Hiveling flees.

convinced.

Province of Mayn. Major Shapleigh. + Tho. Miller Priest.

He and his Wife ale convinced; the Priest Tho. out of doors, dy his Worlbip.

The aforesaid depart westmard, and M. Tomkins. A. Ambrose. cataqua Rive again. They are apprebended.

PriestRayners Said the Priest, There are Three somethings; and so in a Rage fling away, calling to bis People at the window to go from amongst them; but Many soon got after him, and spake to him to come back, and not to leave his people amongst them he called Wolves; but away pack't the Prieft, whereupon the said unto the people, Is not this the Hireling that flees and leaves the Flock? So Truth came over them all, and there may great And many are service for the Lord, and many were convinced of the Truth that day: And notwithstanding the terror of your wicked Laws. many waxed bold, and invited them to their Houses, and they had at that time a great and good Meeting amongst them, and the Truth by George Preston, Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambros, was preached amongst them, and the Power of the Lord. reached many of them that day.

Having had this good Service at this time at Dover for the Lord, they passed away into the Province of Mayn, being invited to Major Shapleighs, who was the Magistrate for that part of the Countrey, wao kept † a Priest in his House, and allowed him and the people a Room in his House to do their Worthip; and he being an inquiring man after Truth defired the Priest, that he and the Quakers might have some Dispute together, unto which the Priest seemed willing; but soon after that Truth and the Priest had a Bittel, he got away, by which his deceit was manifest; and the said Major Shapleigh and his Wife were convinced of the Truth, and in a good mea-Millet turned sure of obedience gave up to it, and turned the Priest and his Worship away; and whereas kis House had formerly served the Priest, now both he and his House served for the Lord to be Worshiped in; and great Dominion got the Truth in this day, in the hearts of People thereawayes, which tormented many of the Priests and Rulers; so after they had staid in those parts for some time, wherein they had very good service for the Truth, they departed Westward, and towards the Winter it came into the hearts of Alice Ambrose, and Mary Tomkins, An, Coleman, an Ann Coleman to go and visit the Seed of God amongst them, that had received the Truth in Piscatequa River, where they were not long, but a flood of Perfecusion arose, by the instigation of the Priest, who caused them to be apprehended, by

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(50) vertue of your Cart Law; an order was made to Whip, and Sentenced to passthem away, as followeth.

To the Constables of Dover, Hampton, Sa-Copy of the lisbury, Newberry, Rowley, Ipswich, Wen-Warrant. nam, Linn, Boston, Roxbury, Dedham; and until these Vagabond Quakers are carried out of this Jurisdiction.

YOU, and every of you, are required in the Kings Majesties Name, (and yet his Authority you will not obey, but make his Name to serve your pleasure, and cover your cruelty) to take these Vagabond Quakers, Ann Coleman, Mary Tomkins, Alice Ambrose, and make them fast to the Carts Tayl, and driving the Cart through your several Towns to Whip them upon their naked Backs, not exceeding ten stripes apiece on each of them, in each Town, and so to convey them from Constable to Constable, till they come out of this Furisdiction, as you will answer it at your Peril, and this shall be your Warrant.

At Dover, dated Per me Richard Walden. Decemb. 22.1662.

A most cruel Warrant, and as strangely pen'd, through eleven Townships by name, and whattoever else were in that Jurisdiction, to whip three tender Women, and one of them little and crooked, with ten firipes apiece, at each place, in the bitter cold weather, through such a length of ground, near eighty miles, enough to have beaten their flesh raw, and their bones bare, and their lives into death. Oh! the mercies of

Rayner the Priest influenced all this. \* Which three Somethings became-a Proverb in the Country, when they would express something that they Warrant, Walden Dep. Magistrate \* This Walden keeps a Saw-mill, and is a Log-fawday that he

could not

Signes it.

Sentenced

these women,

band-cuffs put

on.

the wicked how are they cruelties! the Devil certainly bore through this Warrant (and as men use to say) Top and top Gallant, no interruption. Your wont was through three Towns, tenstripes apiece, enough to fink down any man, whom God did not uphold; but this out-runs the Law, or the Constable, as the Proverbis; here is eleven named, which according to the rate of ten in a place, is one hundred and ten apiece, laid on fo, as if it were possible the knots might kiss the bones every stroke; and yet this is not enough, if any more Towns, through it they must come; but whose foot was in the Pot? From whom sprang this unreasonable Warrant? Who influenced all this? And through whose instigation were they apprehended and so ordered? And who drew the Warrant? Omne malum (faith the Proverb) incipit a Sacerdote, (that is) All evil begins from the Priest, or, From the Priest all evil hath its beginning. Priest Rayner aforesaid, (who could not evince his own pontion, but (as hath been said) instead of proving three Persons in the Trinity, as he afferted by the Scriptures, said, They were three + somethings; and so fled away, being not able to stand before the power and force of Truth, in these weak Servants of the Lord) gathered the force and strength of the Magistrate, most unlike the Ministers of Tosus Christ, who suffered, but caused none to suffer : as their Master did, Even the Just for the unprove, or make just, that he might bring us all unto God, faith the Apostle. And when he had no other Weapon, none that is Spiritual, Migh-And draws the ty through God to the pulling down of frong holds and imaginations, and every thought that exalts it felf against the Kingdom of Christ, as had the Apostles, 2 Cor. 10. 4, 5. and the Servants of the Lord, his Ministers, have at this day, he sets: on this Deputy Magistrate \* Walden, and makes him to serve his purpose, and turns his Clerk too, rather then fail, and draws the Warrant; as indeed it carries with it the face of a yer; but that Priest, whose Master is the Devil, who as John Saith, Shall cast some of you into Prison, Rev. 2. 10. who is Abaddon and Apollion the King of the Locusts, the Angel of the bottomles Pit, his wife caus- Rev. 9. TI. who follows destruction, and the may of peace hath ed him to have not known. By reason of this man, were they brought before Walden,

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as aforesaid, who began to tell them of your Law against Onakers: Mary Tomkins replyed, So there was a Law that Daviel Passages be-(hould not pray to his God. Yes, faid Walden, and Daniel fuf- tween the Defered, and so shall you, (see how right he appears infinenced puty and the with this Priests Spirit, mad and blind, and knows not what he faith: and how like the Heathen of old, they resolve into the blood of the Innocent, whose presidents they make their examples) and so would know Alice Ambrose her name, though be had it in the Warrant; My name (said she) is written in The Deputies the Lambs Book of Life, there if he could read he might find it. heathenish ex-He answered, (see whose Magistrate this was, and what state Pressions of the he was in) No body here knows this Book, and for this you hall Lambs Book of suffer.

So in a very cold day your Deputy Walden caused these Women to be stript naked from the middle upward, and tyed to a cruelly execu-Cart, and after a while cruelly whipt them, which the Priest ted at Dover. flood and looked upon, and laughed at, which some of their looks on, and Friends standing by, and seeing, and taking notice of Wal- laughs at it.

dens cruelty, testified against it, for which Walden put tewo of them in the Stocks; having dispatche them in this Town, and made way to carry them over the Waters, and through Woods to another: The women denyed to go, unless they had a Copy of their Warrant; so your Executioner sought to set them on Horseback, but they flid off; then they endeavoured to tie each to a man on Horseback, but that would not do neither, nor any course they took, till the Copy was given them, infomuch that the \* Constable professed that he was almost wearied with them; But the Copy being given them, they went with the Executioner to Hampton, and through Dirt and Snow at Salisbury, half way the Leg deep, the Constable forced them after the Carts tayl, at which be whipped them; which cruelty and foreusage, the white Snow, and the crimfon Blood, the black Dirt. and the white Snow; and the tender Women traverfing their way through all, was a hard spectacle to those who had in them any thing of tendernesse; he took. The Warranz

† Eliakim Wardel of Hampton, Wil. Fourbish of Dover.

The tender women they tyed with Ropes to the Cart at Dover, to be whipt, which being very cruel; James Heard asked them, Whether those were the Cords of their Covenant?

\* The Constable of Dovers name was Thomas Roberts, who looking pittifully the same night through his extream tool to bring the Servants of the Loid thither to be whipt, as they had been. at Dover, they were so far above his cruelty that they. made him some good thing. for his refreshment which

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They fing in the midst of their Sufferings. Also at Hamp

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though the presence of the Lord was so with them, (as usually it was with all his Witnesses in the extremity of their Sufferings) that they lung in the midft of them, to the aftonishment of their Enemies.

The Constable stands trembling with the Whip in his the hangman, but came 100 His Principle.

At Hampton, William Fifield, the Constable, having received the Women to whip them there, thought to have out-vapoured them, (and said) I profess you must not think to make fools of men; meaning thereby, as if he would not be out-done, upon the relation of the Constable of Dover what work he had with them. The women answered, They should be able to deal with him as well as the other. So this Constable Fifield, who profest himself so strout, the next morning would have whipt them before day; but they refused, saying, That they were not ashamed of their Sufferings. Then he would have whipt them on their Cloaths, contrary to the Warrant, when he had them at the Cart. But they faid, Set us free, or do according to thy Order, which was to whip them on their naked backs. Then he spake to a Woman to take off their Cloaths. The Woman faid, She would not do it for all the World; and so did other Women deny to do it. Then he faid, I profess I will do it my felf. So he stript them, and then stood trembling with the Whip in his hand, as a man Condemned, and did the Execution as a min in that condition. But it fared otherwise band, who be- with one called Anthony Stanjel, who having a great defire to what he would do the Execution himself on the Women, and so to be Hangman, hasted up for the work, but he was disappointed, for it Anth Stanyel was done ere be came, to be lost his breakfast; a monstrows bustened to be fellow, who desired such a dissonourable service, to do such execution on three Women; but this is like his Tenent, who Said, That none could be a true Child of God without sin. Now amongst the rest of the Spectators, Edward Wharton

+ Thomas Broads erry, Clerk of your Courts at Salisbury and Hampton.

late.

Ed Wharton not knowing ought of what they were about, passing along the way and meeting with them, came to be one, whose eye beholding their torn bodies and weary steps, and yet no remorfe in their Periecutors, affected his heart, and he could not withhold, but testified against them, seeing this bloody engagement. Whereupon tone of your Officers faid, Edward Wharton, What do you here? I am here, answered Edward, to see

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your wickedness and cruelty, that so if you kill them, I may be able to declare how you murthered them: And indeed murthered them, according as men might judge, in all probability they had with their cruelties, had not the Lord unexpectedly

wrought a way † at that time to deliver them out of the Tyrants hands; so through three Towns onely were they whipt, but so cruelly (as aforesaid) and then they were discharged; The Priest had contrived with Walden what to do before, and he made that Warrant, as hath been said, and drew it before.

Being set at liberty, the Women returned to Major Shapleys House, near unto the aforesaid Dover, and from thence they went to a place called Newquechawanack, where they had a Meeting; and \*Shubal Drummer, the Priest of the place, was at the Meeting, who sat quiet; and the Meeting being ended, he stood up, and said, Good Women, you have spoken well, and prayed well, pray what is your Rule? The Women replyed, The Spirit of the Lord is our Rule, and it ought to be thine and all mens for to walk by. To which the Priest answered, It is not my Rule, nor I hope ever shall be. See the sad con-

† Wa'ter barefoot at Salisbury got the Constable to make him his Deputy, who receiving the Wattant, thereupon set them at liberty, so they were delivered; but John Wheelright the Priest, advised the Constable to drive on, as his safest may.

Newquechawanack.

\* Shubal Drummer Priest.

His denyal of the Spirit to be his Rule.

dition of your Priests and Magistrates, and those who are led by them, One saith, The three Persons in the Trinity are three somethings, and so slies away. Another saith, The Lambs Book of Lise, no body here knows that Book. A third saith, The Spirit of the Lord is not my Rule, nor I hope it ever shall be. I need not Paraphrase any farther upon it, or give demonstrations, the things themselves are open and manisest. Yet these are they by whom the People of the Lord suffer, and who lead, and force the people who are led by them into such Acts of violence as these, to make the Innocent to suffer; and surely as the Prophet said in that day, so it is sulfilled in this of you, The dark Corners of the Earth are full of the Habitations of cruelty; dark Priests, dark Magistrates, dark People, Actions of Violence, Instruments of Cruelty are in your Houses; you tear the Innocent; None calleth for Justice, nor

any pleadeth for Truth; Ye trust in vanity, and speak lies; Te conceive mischief, and bring forth Iniquity; you hatch Cockatrice Eggs, and weave the Spiders Web; he that eateth of your Eggs dyeth, and that which is crushed, breaketh forth into a Viper: Your works are works of Iniquity, and the acts of violence are in your hands: Your feet run to evil, and they make hast to (hed Innocent blood: Your thoughts are thoughts of Iniquity, wasting and destruction is in your Paths: The way of Peace you know not, and there is no judgement in your goings: You have made you crooked Paths, who soever goeth therein shall not know Peace: Your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity: Your lips have spoken lies, your tongues have muttered perversness; therefore is Judgement far from you, neither doth Justice overtake you. As it was complained of old, Isa, 50. 3. to And the Lord God will (weep you away, your Webs Shall not become Garments, neither shall you cover your selves with your works; the day of evil is coming upon you, and you shall receive according to your works, and the time is near.

More Suffer -The Women return thicker.

ing whilft at Prayer, by T. his Brother. Tage of the Women haled out.

+Tho Canny.

And Mary . Tomkins. t old Thomas Roberts.

But to proceed; After a little space, from Major Shapleys ings at Dover they returned again to Dover, the place of their late barbarous Execution, and there vifited their Friends, who had both received and suffered with them; where being met together on Are haled out the next first day of the week: after their coming together, of the Meet- whilst they were in Prayer, the Constables, Thomas Robarts aforesaid, and his Brother John, like Sons of Belial being heat-Roberts, and ed by the Priest, having put on their old Cloaths, with their Aprons, on purpose to carry on their drudgery, came into Their c well u- the Meeting, and laid hands on Aiice Ambrose as she was in Prayer, and taking ber, the one by the one A mand the other Al. Ambrose by the other Arm, they unmercifully dragged her out of doors, with ber face toward the Snow, which was near knee deep, over Rumps, and old Trees, near a mile; in the way of which, when they had wearied themselves, they commanded two others to help them, and so laid her up Prisoner in a very + wicked mans house; which when they had done, they made halte, with the rest that were with them, to fetch Mary Tomkins; whom as they were draging along, with her face towards the Snow, the poor + Father of these two wicked Constables followed

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followed after lamenting and crying, Wo that ever be was Father to such wicked Children. So thither aged Father of the Constathey haled Mary Tomkins also, and kept them both all night in the same house; and in the morning, it for their wickednes. From being exceeding cold, they got a certain Boat, or Canoe, or kind of Trow, hewed out of the body of a Tree, which the Indians use on the Water, and in it they determined to have the three women down to the Haibours mouth, and there put them in threatning, That they would now fo do with them, that they would be troubled with them no more. Whither to go the three women were not willing; they forced them down a very steep place, in deep Snow, and furionly they took Mary Tomkins by the Arms, and drag'd her on her back over the stumps of Trees down a very steep Hill, to the Water side, so that The was much bruifed, and often was dying away; and Alice Ambrose they plucked violently into the Water, and kept swimming by the Canoe, being in danger of drowning, or to be frozen to death, (What Acts of violence and cruelty are here!) And Ann Coleman they put in great danger of her life also, even in the view of their Enemies, in great hazard, and in all probability, they had destroyed them quite, according as they faid aforefaid, (viz.) That they would do so now, as that they would be troubled with them no more; but on a sudden, a great Tempest arose, and so their cruel and wicked purpose was hin-

dred; and back they had them to the house again, and kept them Prisoners there till near mid-night, and then they cruelly turn'd them all out of doors in the Frost and Snow, Alice Ambrose's Cloaths being before frozen like Boards; and it was frozen to much, & to no other thing could it be attributed, nor no other thing could hand could have done it, but the Arm of the Lord, that Alice prevail to deespecially, and the rest had not been killed, such unmerci- stroy them: fulness to their fellow Creatures, who were compassed about with the same infirmities of cold, &c. lodged in the Brests of these wicked men, who thought by these things to have dis-

The lamentation of the bles, following after them. this man, whose labour was at an end, and who had lived in Dover thirty years, and a Member of their Church above twenty years; they took his Cow away, which gave him and his Wife a little milk, for not coming to their Worthip.

† Edward Waymouth was the wicked one that drag'd her. Hate-evil Nutter, a Ruling Elder, was present, stirring up the Constables to do this thing, for which no Warrant had they, as ever could be known, as did appear; for procuring none, they turn'd them out at Midnight, as is related by and by.

Words spoken, discocovering an intent to difpatch them.

> Like to be death, yet no-

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patcht them, but the hand of the Lord, who keeps all those who wait upon him, preferved, and upheld them; To whom be the Glory, Amen.

The Priest of

+ Sometimes he mas Presifor his tendernefs to Conscience.

These are the fruits of the Priest of Dover, and these are Dovers fruits some of the Clusters of his Vine, and the Wine it is of his Grape, who wrings Blood instead of Milk, as old President Dunster + tenderly said concerning your Persecutions, who dent of Cam- before he dyed, prophesied of Truth, and the growing of it bridg Colledg amongst you, though sometimes one of your Ministers, who but turned out could in no wife be brought to have to do in these your cruelties; and the pressure of this (viz.) Rayners Cup, and the Gall and Vinegar that he poursout into the Wounds of those whom his cruelty had torn; and these are some of the Fountains of mickedness which flow in your Land, through the cruel influence of you, who are the Heads and Rulers there-

Sufferings at Hampton, M. Tomkins. A. Ambrose.

ton, oldCottons Son. Prieft.

+ Thomas Wiggins Magiftrate. \* Constable Roby.

Ambrole legs were put in the body laid on the ground, having nothing. to fu on,

Another time, it being in the heart of Mary Tomkins and Alice Ambrose to visit the Priest and People in their Meetinghouse at Hampion, about fourteen miles from the said Dover, on a first day of the week they came thither; whither be-† Seab. Cot- ing come, they heard the † Priest confess in his Prayer, That he and his People had all the dayes of their lives brought forth nothing but the Grapes of Sodom, and the Cluster: of Gomorah ; and yet by and by he cryed, Let us fing to the Praife and Glory of God. At which they being burthened, and groaning in Spirit, before they could come to speak a word, the Priest perceiving them, called to the Magistrate to have them out, + who commanded the \* Constable to to do : to whom they said. Is the Priest about to tell you some lies that he is not willing me (hould hear. But both your Ruler, Priest and People, were much tormented; and Alice Ambrose declaring the Truth amongst the People, your Ruler caused them both to + Both Alice be put in the + Stocks, and kept them there till their Priest was gone out of the way, though they promifed that they and Stocks, of her the Priest should have a sober reasoning together; the Priest being gone, (the old course of the Hireling) their feet were let loole; and being at liberty, Mary Tomkins stood upon the Stocks, and declared to the People, which so yexed Thomas Wiggins

Wiggins aforesaid, (one of your bloody fellow Persecutors, T. Wiggins, of who once pretended to moderation, as some of you have done, but for preferment sake hath turned into the devilish nature of cruelty and blood, the proper fruit of that spirit, none being persecutor. more cruel then those, who from moderation are turned into cruelty.) Isay, Thomas Wiggins was so vexed thereat, that in a great rage he caused her to be pulled down, and they were them to suffer. † beat, and their Cloaths torn very much, and the Constable had them away, both Constable and People being afterward Tomkins very calm, and inwardly condemned for what they had himfelf. done.

So these Hand-maids of the Lord having answered his Will M. Tomkins: in those your parts, and suffered the extremity of what was departed for suffered, or ye could do unto them, departed your Coasts to- Mary-land de wards Virginia, and Mary-land, whitherto they were moved Virginia. of the Lord; not long after which, old Elizabeth Hooton went Fliz. Hooton. towards Piscataqua, and coming to the Town of Dover, received the same Imprisonment there, as those had done before her, who testified in that place, a particular of which hereafter followeth.

But before I enter upon the Relation of the Sufferings of Elizabeth Hooton, it will be convenient to give a touch of some farther Sufferings at Hampton, and other places, which the Servants of the Lord met with in that place, from the

hands of those that Ruled for you.

Eliakim Wardel of Hampton aforesaid, having received Hampton, Eli-Wenlock Christison aforesaid into his House, in the name of a akim Wardel, Disciple, your Court quickly took notice of him, and having Fined for enfined him for so doing; a pretty Beast for the Saddle, worth tertaining W. about 14 pound, was taken for the Fine, which was far less Christison. then the value of the Horse, the overplus of which to make up to him, your Officers plundred old William Marston of a will Marston Vessel of green Ginger, which for some Fine was taken from plundred of bim, and forced it into Eliakims house, where he let it lie, green Ginger and touched it not as his; in process of time, Eliakim came for his fine. to be fined again; and whereas, according to your Law, he should have had the overplus of the Beaft restored unto him. Eliak. house.

a moderate Professor turned a bloody

He causeth Arook Mary

A. Ambrose,

ger forcedingo

Taken away again from thence for another fine. No Satisfallion for the oborfe. Seaborn Cotton Priest, his cruelty. Nat. Boulters Treachery and: wickednels.

Eliak.Wardel Seab.Cotton. Eliakims pyed or taken away by the Priest for his Rate.

Eliak, Wardel fined again, all his Marsh and Meadowgrounds taken for it.

and Land was promised him, yet your Exactors came and took the green Ginger away, which was left before, as aforefaid, which was all the fatisfaction that was made him; and notwithstanding he came not to your invented Worship, but was fined ten shillings a dayes absence for him and his Wife, yet verplus of the Was he often rated for Priests Hire; and the Priest (Seaborn Cotton, old John Cottons Son) to obtain his end, and to cover himself, sold his Rate to a man almost as bad as himself, who wickedness of is called Nathaniel Boulter, who coming in pretence of borrowing a little Corn for himself, which the harmless honest man willingly lent him, and finding thereby that he had Corn. which was his design, Judas like, he went and bought the Rate of the Priest, as aforesaid, and came to his heap, and measured it away as he pleased.

Another time the said Eliakim being rated to the said Priest. Seaborn Cotton, the said Seaborn having a mind to a pied Hei-Heifer coveted fer Eliakim had, as Ahab had to Naboths Vineyard, sent his Servant night mo miles to fetch her; who having rob'd Eliakim of her, brought her to his Master, for which his Servant

not long after was condemned in himself.

Again the said Eliakim was had to your Court, and being by them fined, they took almost all his Marsh and Medow ground from him to satisfie it, which was for the keeping of his Cattel alive in Winter; just as it was said of old, As Troops of Robbers lie in wait for a man, so the company of Priests. murther in the way by consent; for they commit lewdness, Hos. 6. 9. Soit may be said now of New England, The Priests. and Rulers destroy, and undo men by consent; who from this poor man in particular, from time to time, so carried away, and seized, and took his Estate, that they plucked from him most of that he had, who notwithstanding, in the strength of the Lord, was carried through with patience the spoiling of his goods.

But this was not all with which be was tryed, but himself in Person, and his Wife sorely suffered at your unreasonable

hands, in mannerfollowing.

El'akim and Lidia his wife

His wife Lidia, being a young & tender chast Woman, seeing the wickedness of your Priests and Rulers to her Husband (69)

was not at all offended at the Truth, but as your wickedness Lidia goes to abounded, so the withdrew, and separated from your Church at Newbery, of which she was sometimes a Member; and being which somegiven up to the leading of the Lord, after she had been often time she was a fent for to come to their faid Church, to give a reason of such Member) as a ber separation; it being, at length, upon her, in the confideration of their miserable condition, who were thus blinded with ignorance and Persecution, to go to them; thither she went, and as a fign to them the went in (though it was exceeding hard to her modest and shamefac't disposition) naked amongst them, had to the which put them into such a rage, instead of consideration, that Court at Ipsthey soon laid hands on her, and to the next Court at Ipswich wich, sentenhad her: where without Law or President they condemned her to be tyed to the fence Polt of the Tavern, where they fat, which Polt. is usually their Court places, where they may serve + their ears with Musick, and their bellies with Wine and gluttony; where= unto she was tyed, Bript from the Waste upwards, with her fing to the Munaked Brests to the Splinters of the Posts, and there Sorely lashed, with twenty or thirty cruel stripes, which though it mise- Executed. rably tore and bruised her tender body, yet to the joy of her. Husband and Friends that were Spectators, the was carried through all these inhumane cruelties, quiet and chearful, and to the shame and confusion of these unreasonable bruit beasts. whose name shall rot, and their memory perish. And this is the discipline of the Church of Newberry in New England, and of Newberry the admonition of the Elders, which are thus mighty to the casting down of strong holds, whose Weapons these are, cruel Whips, and tortuing of the body, instead of reaching to the Spirit; and this is their Religion, and their usage of the Handmaid of the Lord, who in a greater cross to her natural temper, then it was to any of them to be thus abused themselves came thus in amongst them; a sign indeed significatory enough to them, and sutable to their state, who under the visor of Religion were thus blinded into cruel Persecution.

Thus they served the Wife, and the Husband came not to for speaking in be very free; They having a keen edge against these Servants the behalf of of the Lord, to undoe and destroy them in body, and estate,

Newberry Church, (of Sign, naked.

She is laid hands on, and ced to be whipt at the Tavern + Priest Cobbet used to

of the Church

Eliak Wardel

having

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† The Woman came not to the Court, upon which Simon Broadst cet took occasion to upbraid his Wife in her absence, for coming into their Worfship-house at Newbery, which gave the occasion of this encounter. Eliakim reproving him for repoaching his Wife so in the Court,

At Simon Broadstreets instance, is condemned to be whipt at the said Court.

He is tyed to an Oak.

Calls Seaborn Cotton to come and fee the Execution.

old Wiggins comes

Seems to pitty the man, and yet encourages the Executioner.

He is cruelly lashed, with Cords near as big as amans little singer, sifteen stripes.

having lasht her so cruelly, and he + taxing Simon Broadstreet, at the Courtat Hampton, a little after his return from Old England, for upbraiding his Wife, and reproaching her who was an honest Woman, for coming, as the did, into their Church at Newberry, where he fat Judge, with old Wiggins, Thomas Bradbury, Simon Broadstreet, Robert Pyke, and Bryan Pembleton his Affociates, upon him the faid Eliakim, and his faid Wife; and John Huffy and his Wife, to fine them for not coming to their Worship, and telling Simon of his malitious reproaching of his Wife, who was an honest Woman, who without a Law they had made to suffer, and of the report that went abroad, of the known dishonefly of Simons Daughter, Seaborn Cotton's Wife: Simon in a fierce rage told the Court, That if (usb fellows (hould be suffered to speak so in the Court, be would sit there no more; So to please Simon, Eliakim was Sentenced to be fript from his Waste upward, and to be bound to an Oak Tree that flood by their Worship-house, and to be whipt fifteen lashes; which to execute upon him, as they were having him out of the Court, he called to Seaborn Cotton, the Priest aforesaid, Simons Son in Law, to come and see the work done, (so far was he from being daunted by their cruelty) who hastned out, and followed him thisher, and so did old Wiggins, one of the Magistrates, (who for his god, viz. strong Liquor, and choice Victuals, sometimes charged the Countrey with more then two of some of the Magistrates) who when Eliakim was tyed to the Tree and Stript; faid to Eliakim, I pitty thee for thy Fathers Sake; and to the Whipper he said, Whip him a good, (such a kind of Kim Kam Generation one shall hardly hear of) which the Executioner cruelly performed, with Cords near as big as a mans little finger, which made him very fore; fother loofed him, having fatiated their blood-thirsty cruelty upon him at that time; Priest Cotton

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Cotton standing very near him, which Eliakim prefently perceiving, when he was loofed from the Eliakim demands, Whe-Tree, said to him, among the People, Seaborn, Hath my pyed Heifer Calv'd yet? which Seaborn Calved?

the Priest hearing, stole away like a Thief.

Near unto Eliakim, at Hampton, lived John Hully and his Wife Rebecca, another young couple, who in heart and hand were the same, who for not coming to your Worship, fared much as the other had done, unto whom your Robbers often came and Shipping, &c. took away what they pleased: Amongst many other

times, to mention one for all; Your Officers came, and finding neither John Huffy nor his Wife at home, like impudent Thieves, into the house they got, and made search therein, where finding some flitches of Bacon, a flitch or two they took, His Bacon. but not finding a way to go forth below, because they could not make fast the door after them, and there were none in the house, they attempted, like Felons, to get out at the hole of the window above, which before they had quite finished, Ilaac Perkins, John Huffy's Wives Father, came forth, who espying them, rated them soundly, though one of your People, and made them leave one of the flitches behind them.

This as to Hampton. Now to touch a little at Salem, in my sufferings at return to Boston ag iin, and to give an account of some passages Salem.

there.

A Court being to be held at Salem, by Simon Broadstreet, S. Broadstreet Daniel Denison, and William Hathorn, three bloody Persecu- Dan. Denison tors; Against the sitting of this Court, there was a Town Magistrates. meeting for the choosing of Constables, which that it might effectually be done, that the Innocent might suffer, and their Laws be as bloodily executed, as they were made by them. and in their hearts: William Hauthorn desired them to choose one Philip Cromwel, Because, saidhe, he will scoure the Qua- P. Cromwel. kers; (see a blood-thirsty Persecutor, how he is not ashamed in the face of the Countrey, to pour forth bis defired thirst of Persecution) who being chosen, and heated by this Harhorn, Priest Higgiand John Higgion Priest of Salom, (who blasphemously said, fon-

Priest Cotton near him, ther his pyed Heifer nad The Priest steales away.

More Sufferings at Hampton. John Hussey, and his Wife.

He is fined for not wor-

His goods taken away.

That

That the Quakers Light was a slinking Vapour from Hell, (a resister of the higher Power, Christ Fesus, the Light of the World, the true Light that lighteth every one that cometh into the World, who faith, The Light of the World I am, who is the Covenant of Light to the Gentiles; A speaker evil of Divnities, a presumptuous person, a Well without Water, a Cloud without Rain, driven about with every Tempest, a bloody Persecutor, who hath had to do in the blood and Sufferings of mamy of the Servants of the Lord, whose wickedness is well known to the Lord, before whom are all his wayes and wickedness, who will render unto him according to his deeds: 2 mandering Star, for whom is referved the blackness of darkness for ever.) He made it his business to hunt up and down the

Town, to find out and disturb them in their Innocent Meet-

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Mich Shafflin ings, waiting upon the Lord, which one Michael Shafflin (a

+ Being demanded by your Court, how long he had absented from their wor-(hip, he answered, Ever fince you put the Servants of the Lord to

man of an honest Conversation, alwayes tender of those who suffered for Conscience; who for these twenty years hath separated more or less from your wicked Priests, and their + Traditions in New England, and their Abominations) telling this Cromwel of, (as he came into the said Michaels house) and asking him, Why he would run about and trouble a harmless People that death; which were W.Ro. did him no hurt? He replyed, Of his Conscience he binson, or M. Stevenson. must needs run whom the Devil drive. So ingenuously confessing what drove him on into those Persecuti-

And although sometimes in his rage, the said Philip would fay, He would have them all hang'd, meaning the Quakers; and that they deserved to have their tongues cut out of their mouthes; and that, If he had the whipping of them, he would make the blood run down at their heels; yet at other times, when he was cool, he would say, Of his Conscience, he knew no more of what the Quakers held, then his Horse. See what rage and fury prompted by *bloody* Perfecuting Spirits in Priests and Magistrates, will run men into, against a People of whom they know nothing, but are ignorant.

+ Benjamin lelton.

This Cromwel having put a + Deputy into his place, and he (the faid Deputy) like a Wolf, having hunted for the prey, at the command of his Masters, in he brought to the Court cer-

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tain persons called Quakers to answering to the end, for which Crommel was chosen, and going when the Devil (as Cromwel faid himself ) in bis Masters drove bim; who being before your Magistrates, they were demanded wherefore they came not to your publick Ordinances? This was put to Laurance and Cassandra Sombicks two + Children (of whom, viz. of Laurance and Cassandra, their cruel Banishment and death, Provided, and other sufferings, and their Children, mention is made in the former Treatise; and what is now spoken, is but of fomething not mentioned then, to make up the fum of your cruelty) to whom Daniel answered, That if they had not so persecuted his Father and Mother, perhaps he might have come. Simon Broadstreet teplyed, That what they had done, was not Persecution but Prosecution. Whereupon Edward Wharton be- cution not Pering in the Court, cryed to have leave to ask the Court one fecution. question, which was, Whether what the cruel Fayler of Boston had done to William Brend, (whose flesh he had beat into a velly, with a pitch't rope, with one hundred and seventeen blows) which brought him near to death, were Persecution or Prosecu- both ordered tion? To which Simon said, Wharton, hold your Tongue, or afterwards to me will lay you by the heels. So + Provided was put in the Stocks that day; and to be rid of other Friends, they fought to put excuses into their mouths, As that they were not well, in the former and so could not come, &c. But they said, We must not make excules. And Elizabeth Gardiner told them, That she was well, and yet could not come to their Worship. So they were fined ac- An Needham cording to the pleasure of the Court; and because Anthony Anth. Need-Needham refused to pay the fine laid on Annhis Wife, they Sentenced her to the Whipping post, to whip it out of her, which the Constable, Thomas Roots, cruelly performed; and notwithstanding what he could do with his tormenting Whip, the not crying out, which he endeavoured to make her do. but could not, for the Lord sustained her; he affirmed, That the Quakers were a hard-hearted people; but who was the hardhearted, let the reasonable judge. The aforesaid Anthony Needham, being demanded by the Court to pay the fine laid upon bis Wife, He asked them, Seeing the Law for Adultery was death; Whether if his Wife had committed Adultery, he

+ Daniel and

streets Profe-

Wil. Brend.

+ They were be fold for flaves to pay their fines, as Treatise is

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Tho. Buffam, Marg. Smith, Sifter, ordered to be drawn at warts tayl with they might counsel ber.

She is whipt.

+ Robert Wilion.

More at Salem, John S.nali fined.

The cruel work and havock re made of the estates and liberties of the People of the Lord in Salem, and other barbarous fufferings with which you exercised them, put many thoughts of heart in many of those who feared the Lord amongst you, thinking to what these things would come, and amongst the Deb, Wilson, rest, one Deborah Wilson, who bearing a great burthen for for going naked your hard-hartedness and cruelty, being under a deep sence in Salem, for a thereof, was constrained, being a young Woman, of a very bands on, og at modest and retired life, and of sober Conversation, as were Salem Senten- her Parentss, to go through jour Town of Salem, naked, as a ced to be whipt fign; which she having in part performed, after she had gone through some part thereof as aforesaid, she was soon laid hands on, and brought before old Hathorn, who ordered her to appear at the next Court at Salem, at which your wicked Rulers Sentenced her to be whipt, and her Mother Thomasin Buffam, and her Mother & her Sifter Margaret Smith to be tyed to the Cartallo, the one on the one fide of her, and the other on the other, because the Rulers pretended that they might counsel her to what she had ber, supposing done; a savage cruelty seldom heard of, asit was most barbarous injustice, which was performed according to their order, but not with that cruelty as was used, or was exprest, for the Constable, Daniel Rumbal, had bowels of compassion, who could not be to her as you would, for which he was questioned by your Court, which he put off, when he bruslingly said, He was loath to be whipt himself as he whipt her. This Deborah Wilson, was Sister to Josiah Buffam, whom you had used as in the former Treatise, and Banished; and see how the Family you have drove, not regarding Age nor Sex; Her + tender Husband, though not altogether of her way, followed after, clapping his Hat sometimes between the Whip and her back.

Yet I have not done with Salem; amongst the rest that were fined at times by that your Court, John Small was one, who being fined by your Court, your Officers mischievously took his best Yoak of Oxen in the Plowing feafon, which much put him to it to Plow his Land; and which indeed was usually

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the manner, to watch in what the greatest despight might be done to Friends, and mischief, and to do it, when seizures were made for the fines you put upon them; his Wife hereupon came into the Court, and demanded of your Magistrates, That if her Husband, and the rest of his Friends were such an accursed People as they did say they were; how then durst they meddle with their Goods, for they must be accurred also? To which Daniel Denison turning to the Woman, faid, Woman, we have none of it, for we give it to the Poor. Which words be- W. Hathorn, ing spoken, and John Gedney the Innkeeper, in whose house Magistrates. the Court was kept, coming in at the instant, she cryed in the Court, and said, Is this man the poor you give it to, for it is this man that had my Husbands Oxen. Woman, replyed William Hathorn, Would you have us starve whilst we sit alout your business? Which was to plunder them of their Cattel, rob them Take his Oxen of their Estates, cruelly torture their Bodies, and do that to maintain which was in order to the taking away their Lives, to separate them to sit to Husbands from their Wives, and Wives from their Husbands, and Children from their Parents, and Parents from their Children; to destroy a Man and his House, even a Man and his Heritage; to root them out from the Land of the Living, and all must be reckoned as in their behalf, or for them; and their best goods must be taken to keep the Magistrates from starving, whilst they sit to do these things to them, the gain of oppression, the tears of the oppressed, the mine of the condemned, which you drink in the house of your God; as the Prophet complained of old, Thus faith the Lord, For three transgrefsions of Istael, and for four I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they sold the Righteons for Silver, and the .Poor for a pair of Shoes: That pant after the dust of the Earth, on the head of the Poor, and turn aside the way of the Meek; and a man and his Father will go in unto the same Maid, to prophane my holy Name. And they lay themselves down on cloaths laid to pledge, by every Altar, and they drink the mine of the condemned in the House of their God, Amos 2. 6, 7, 8. Read your state and portion.

And this was the Poor, you took his best Oxen to maintain, of him whom you called Accursed, (viz. Gedney) and your greedy

destroy them.

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greedy bellies, who destroy peoples estates to maintain jou. whilft you fit to destroy them; and this is Judas his Bag, who said it. Not that he cared for the Poor, but because he was a Thief, and had the Bag, and bare what was put therein, as the Scriptures teltifie, Fohn 12.6.

Salem.

One instance or two more of your cruelties at Salem, and then

I shall pass to some other place, we will will will

Philip Verrin

Philp Verrin, for testifying among his Neighbours, against the murthering of the Servants of the Lord, which von had put to death, was bound over by William Hathorn to your Court at Ipswich, and there Condemned to be Whipt, which was severely executed for his speaking the Truth.

Whipt.

And Samuel Shattock, notwithstanding he was implyed in bringing over the Kings Letter, to stop your cruelty of blood

Sam Shattock fined.

upon those people, was fined five pound.

A little farther yet, that I may bring in upon you the courfe of Truth, and its progress in New England, and what Priests are strewed up and down therein, from the one end to the other, whom your Example had led into Wickedness.

Geo. Fre Ron. Ed Wharton, M. Tomkins, A. Ambrose.

Dover. Oyster River.

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boafted, That he would o-

George Preston, Edward Wharton, Mary Tomkins, Alice Ambrose, alias Gary, having been at Dover, as aforesaid. passed from thence over the Water, to a place called Outer River, where on the first day of the week; the Women went to Priest Halls place of Worship, who standing before the oldman, he began to be troubled; and having spoken something against Womens Preaching, he was confounded, and knew nor well what to say; whereupon Mary standing up, and declar-

+ This little John Hill ing the Truth to the People, little + John Hill, in his wrath, thrust her down from the place where the verthrow Mary, if he could, stood, with his own hands, and the Priest pinched. come to reason with her; her Arms, whereupon they were had out of the place Thus performed, Striking. of Worship; but in the afternoon, they had their her in the stomach, and so Meeting sunto which came most of the Priest's Hearforcing her backwards; ers, where Truth gave the Priest such a blow that be was a Church-member. The Priest forfook his day, that a little while after the Priest left his Market-place, and went to the Isle of Shoales, three Leagues in the Sea to another.

Market-place.

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About twenty miles from Offer River, near the

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Sea fide at Gorgiana, sometimes called York, in the Province of Mayn, George Preston and Edward Wharton being, and appointing there a Meeting of Friends, + Priest Emerson, and his Wife endeavoured what they could, with the Magistrates of that place, to hinder the Meeting, wherein they being not able to prevail, they came to the Meeting-place before they were come together, and the Priest said, That George Preston was a deceiver ; and by the Scriptures undertook to prove him so to be, if he had a Bible; which George Preston pulling out of his

Pocket, and giving to him, he turned to that place, wherein the Apostle speaks of forbidding of Meats and Marriages; which G. Preston being not concerned in, for he did neither; charged him with lying, for that he had not proved him a Deceiver, neither was such a one as that Scripture said; the Priests Wife hereupon demanded of him, where he lived? He an-Iwered, In the Lord. That's Blasphemy, said the Priest, (what fons affertion a heap is here of blockish Priests in the Countrey, one saith of Blasphemy. of the three Persons in the Trinity, which he affirmed, There be three somethings. Another said, The Spirit was not his Rule, and he hoped it never should. And this (to add no more. in this place) faith, It's Blasphemy, when Geo. Preston said, Helived in the Lord; whereas the Apostle faith, In him we live, move, and have our being, Acts 17.28. Being baffled here, he fell on Edward Wharton, and said to him, That he Ed. Wharton might be ashamed to travel up and down the Countrey so as he did, whilft his Wife and Children starved for bread? Who had no Wife nor Child. And the Priest prest him again with the same thing; Edward advised him to take heed what he said; and told him it was good Counfel. The Priest replyed, He could prove it; And that therefore he affirmed it. Edward. charged him with lying, as he had done at first, when the Prinft lo said. You have bad a Wife, said the Priests Wife, to help out her Husband; That's another lie, replyed Edward Wharton. Were you never Married? faid she, who before affirmed that he had had a Wife. Not that I know of, replyed. Edward, for if I had been so, I should have known is. Thus the-

Gorgiana.

+ This Priest by agreement, was to have 2 pounds. weight of Butter for every Cow, as part of his provision-Rate, or the Priess Wife would many times come for the Butter before it was Churn'd, as the Prophet complained:

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the Priest and his Wife being made up of lies and falseshoods, and filled with ignorance, made their endeavour to, but could not hinder the Meeting, nor accomplish the end which their lies sought to effect. One of the Magistrates Deputies was at the Meeting, and when the Meeting was over, his Wife, and the Priests Wife, fell to odds about Friends, and their Meetings, the Deputies Wife pleading for both.

Yet a little farther to the Southward of Boston and Gorgia-

na, and to touch at Plymoth Pattent.

Plymouth Pattent. The wickednes of Governour Prince, reproved by the Indians.

Marshal Barlows cruelty

Hisdescription

The wickedness of Thomas Prince Governour, (oft mentioned in the former Treatise) and of the Magistrates was such, that it became a Proverb among the Indians, when they were charged with stealing any thing, [All one, a Thief, as Governour Prince.] (having relation to his plundering the People called Quakers.) And a certain Indian taking a Knife from an Englishmans house, and being told, He should not steal, Answered, He thought so, but now he saw that the Magistrates, and Barlow, did joby the Quakers, (which was the blood-thirfty Marshal spoken in the former Relation) which said Marshal Barlows Commission was said to be so cruel, that it is reported, that the faid Governour Prince (as bad as he was) should say. That an honest man would not have (or hardly would take) bis place.

This Barlow would boaft, that he would think what goods were most serviceable to the Quakers, and then he would take them away, when he went to distrain for fines. This was in the dayes of Oliver Crommel, wherein he grew rich with the spoiles of the Innocent; but now he being grown exceeding poor, he hath said, He hopes for a good time again; such he calls the dayes of ravening and blood. Yet he is so impudent, (or the Witness of God makes him so to think of those whom he had no mercy to) as to say, He thought that the Quakers would not let him want. And truly, such Testimony they bear to the Spirit of Fesus living in them, and of which the Scriptures speak, If thine Enemy hunger, give him meat, &c. and the dominion of Truth therein, that it is faid, They relieve his Children, notwithstanding all the villany that he hath thewen to those People.

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As for this Barlow, his natural inclination is to be lazy, filthy, and base to all. In his former years, he was one of the Professors Preachers at Exeter in New England, and elsewhere; of which being weary, or having worn that Trade out, or it having worn out him, he turned Lawyer, and so came into Plymoth Pattent, where he became a notorious Thief and Robber of the goods of the Innocent, (as the former Treatife hathit at large) by Commission Marshal.

And now that I have given some account of a Marshal, it will not be inconvenient if I speak a mord or two of a Treasu- Batter of Sarer, one Edmund Batter of Salem, whose cruel handling of lem. the Friends of Truth in and about Salem for fines, hath had

some touch of Relation in the former Treatise.

This Batter being a Member of your Church in Salem, and a man big in his own esteem, and fit (as himself thought) to be a Magistrate; there being a vacancy in the Magistracy of Salem, by reason of John Endicots being made Governour, and dwelling in Boston, there was an endeavour in this man to procure a Commission to fill it up, which he attempted what be could, and whose Competitor therein was William Hathorn, a man often mentioned in this Relation) This Hathorn putfing for the business, used his craft and cruelty, (for who eemed most forward in persecuting the Innocent, most pleased he Priests, through whose suffrage such places used most to be upplyed) and Batter walkt in the fame steps what he could; out Hathorn being two hard for him, put him by, and was fet n the Seat; all that which Batter could accomplish, was the lace of Treasurer, for all such plunder, as for not pertaing with your Sacrifices of blood, the Servants of the Lord rere condemned unto in Salem, and the parts thereabouts, or he County in which Salem Was.

Being got into this imployment, he was much lifted up, nd behaved himself with much cruelty and wickedness, huntng after Meetings, and the Persons and Estates of the Innoent, as the Wolf doth after the Sheep, and where he could o most mischief, and vex, and destroy, there he was most tisfied, as was the Nature and Custome of these bloody huntsten which were his Companions, particularly, Sam. Archer,

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his Brother, Benjamin Felton his Brother, and Hen. Skerry his Brother, (Church Members) and Tho. Roots.

His wickedness.

To fay nothing of what hath been already mentioned in the former Treatise, and of many things more, which might make a Relation of it self: nor to enlarge upon his working with Henry Phelos. Son of Henry Phelos, to betray his Father into Prison, (who was had there) by discovering the said Henry to have entertained Friends, the Taid Henry being Brotherin-Law to Batter, whose Sister he married; nor how swift he was to have found out William Ledra, and so panting after his blood: I shall give one instance for all, wherein Edmund Batter may as well see himself concern'd, as to the answering for blocd, as the Reader may thereby perceive how eager be was in his pursuit after it.

His cruelty to Joh. Kitchins Wife Elizabeth, whereby the miscarried with her child which died, o

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yet accounted for.

Upon a time, he being upon his Scent, and so hunting for the Innocent, with the Constable, and being in want of a Horse to hasten after his prey; and meeting with a Woman great with Child on Horseback, one John Kitchins Wife of Salem, as the was travelling on the Road, the Horse he would take from her for that purpose; and so savage was he, that down he would have her, which he performed with such violence, that the Woman thereupon miscarried, and lost her of her life, not Child; her Name is Elizabeth. And so having got a swifter Beast then his own heels, followed his pursuit, but left the man with the loss of his Child, and his Wife in danger of her life thereby; which Edmond Batter hath yet to answer for the blood of the one, and the suffering of the other, which by that time he hath answered for, he will find that his Treasureship of wickedness in Salem, was dear bought, and that his hunting after blood, was at a hard rate accomplished by them, which may give him matter of confideration, that he may reflect upon his wickedness, and be ready against his judgement comes to bear it quietly, for it (from a hand that can reach him) he must certainly expect.

I had not put the Reader to this Relation, but that he may fee (as by other unmerciful and unheard-of cruelties) what exercise the People of the Lord in New England have received from the hands of you and your Churches, and the Men-

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bers thereof, and how Marshats, and Treasurers, and Hangmen, and Hunters you have as bloody as your selves, to accom-

plish your butcheries upon the Innocent.

Yet a touch at Hampton, and so to Boston again; Seaborn Hampton. Cotton, Priest aforesaid, understanding that Eliakim Wardel, Seab. Cotton Priest. aforementioned, had entertained Wenlock Christison again; Eliak. Wardel he like a sturdy Heardsman, got to him some of the sercest of W. Christison his Swine, and himself in the head of them, with a Leaders Truncheon in his hand, led the way to the house of Eliakim, Had by Clubwhich was near two miles from his house, whom Wenlock feeing, asked him, What he did with that Club in his hand? He from Eliakims answered, He came to keep the Wolves from his Sheep, (a strange house. invertion from Pauls Weapons of Warfare, which were not Seab. Corton, Carnal, but Spiritual, Mighty through God to the casting down of strong holds, &c. to the Weapons of the World) which shawed himself to be a Wolf, and the other a Lamb, on whom he and his Crew laid hands, like a company of wild Bears; Leading the and having him one by one Arm, and another by the other, they way with a halled him away: Seaborne, like a valiant Champion leading in his hand. the way, of whom Wenlock, when in their heat and madness they were demanded, Whether these were his Sheep? But this was no time to have an Answer; hard they wrought to carry him, and being weary, left him at a house, a quarter of a mile from Eliakims, though they said. They would carry him to the Town, wherein they lied; for so they did not. Afterwards He is set at lihe was brought to Salisbury, but the Constable there being out of the way, be had his liberty.

Now to Boston again, where I shall find Seaborn Cotton, aforesaid, who having little to do, would needs go to the Pri- Seab Corton, fon; and taking another Priest with him, he would in the first place needs seem to condole their conditions, as Prisoners, faving, He was forry to see them there; but withal told them, That they were such as denyed the Scriptures to be their Rule of Life. Fane Millard demanded of him, If the Scriptures were the Saints Rule of Life, and that onely by which they were to be led and guided, then what was the Saints of old their Rule & Guide, who lived and dyed so long before the Scriptures were written? Seaborn answered, They had Scripture. What Scripture had

they?

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Affirms the Scriptures to be written in they were wrote in Paper

ther? was of him demanded. Seaborn replyed, Scripture written in the Bark of Trees. Edward Wharton standing by, Bark of Birch faid, Seaborn in Bark of what Trees? He answered, In Bark Trees, before of Birch trees; and so with a thing that he could not prove. with a lie in his mouth he went away.

Seab. Cotton, Major Shaplegh, his beels turned up.

The same Seaborn Cotton hearing that Major Shapleigh was turned Quaker, declared his pitty on him, and that he would feeking to turn travel to him ere long, and turn him again. It fell out on a time, that Seaborn being in a house, drinking on the great Island in Pifeatagua River, and hearing that Major Shapleigh was at a Warehouse there, he went thirder to see if he could turn him, (as he said) as he went thereunto, his heels turned up, and gave him a fall, like to have broken his Neck, or his Bones, whom Major Shapleigh (left he should be spoiled) helped up again; And this was the turning this Priest made of Major Shapleigh, and Major Shapleigh of him.

And now I am mentioning Major Shapleigh again, and this. Priest, it will not be inconvenient if I give a farther touch of some passages that hapned at Major Shapleighs, when the Major Shap-Women, called Quakers, aforesaid, fist came anto his House, which hath relation to Thomas Millet, his then Priest.

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M. Tomkins. A. Ambroie, disputing with the Prieft.

Mary was thrown down the stairs a-

Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambrofe, on a first day of the week, having a dispute with Priest Millet, in Major Shapleighs house, aforesaid, concerning his Worship in his place of Worship; some of his unruly Hearers threw Mary headlong down a pair of stairs, (the fruits of his Ministry) which reasonably might have broke her neck, and which themselves confessed, had she not been a Witch (as they said of her, who was the Servant of the Living God; and they faid of Jesus, gain, & again. That he had a Devil, & cast out Devils, by Beelzebub the Prince of Devils) she had so done; yet she had onely a little hurt on the Elbow, but through the Power of the Lord, was preferved from a greater mischief; yet coming up again, they threw her down the second time, which did her not much harm.

The faid Mary and Alice being at another time at Nicholas Shapleighs at break-fast, and the said Priest Millet, a certain person

person coming in called him Master Millet: whereupon the faid Mary asked him, Whether he was a Minister of Christ, if piest Miller To, he would not own that Title. At which the Priest was so Forfakes his offended, that though there were good provisions before him, break fast va-

yet he rose up in a fret and went his way.

Another time the faid Women reasoning with the said Priest Millet about the Fruits of his Ministry, and bidding him to shew shews no other them, he said, That if he were at Cape Ann (a place by the fruits of his Sea side, near four miles distance) he could shew some Fruits of his Ministry; which (it's like) might be the same as at Piscatagua, which produced the effects aforementioned at Major Shapleighs.

And now I am about the Priests, I shall give an example of one or two more of them, ere I return to Boston again, where

I shall find something to doing with them there also.

Edward Wharton coming from Rhoad Island to Taunton, and George Shove the Priest hearing of it, his Deacon, with whom Ed. Wharton, he Tabled, came up to the Inn where Edward was, and de- Priest Shove manded his name, which Edward told him; whereupon in a fends his Deagreat heat, he told Edward, It was known what he was, and Constable to so defired him to depart out of Town. Friend, said Edward; have him What hast thou to lay to my charge? Whose Ox have I stolen? or whose As bave I taken away? or whom have I wronged? And as for my being in Town, I purpose to stay here, until I have accomplished my business wherefore I came. If you will not go, faid he, I will go and call the Constable, (which he did, like a savage Bruit) so by and by came the Constable with his black Staff: whom Edward, being busie with the People, seemed not to mind, the man being busie also with his Pipe; at length Edward looked up, and askt the Constable, Whether be had any thing to fay to him? He answered, Yes, for he was come to require him to depart out of their Town; or else he must execute the Law upon him, which was to Whip him out of out of Town. Town. Edward replyed, He would stay till he had done that for which he came, and then he would not stay, though they should Edwardrehire him; And as for thy Law, thou mayst execute it (faid he) had done his if thou wilt, but thou wert best to take beed what thou dost, for business. the King hath lately fent over to the Rulers in New England to

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sharge them, that they inflict no more sufferings upon such as I am. So the Constable kept quiet till he had done, and then Edward departed their Town. These were Professors more inhospitable then the Gadarens. And this is Priest Shovesentertaining of Hrangers, contrary to that of the Apostle, which laith, Be not forgetful to entertain frangers, for thereby some have entertained Angels unawares. And because I am upon the foot of entertaining strangers, it will not be amiss to shew in one instance more, to what hath been already inserted, the barbarous inhumanity of this Countrey upon your Law, even to the Inhabitants and House-keepers in your own Colonie.

Ed. Whartons journey into the Northern parts of New England.

His entertainment at Saco Black Points Casko Bay.

Their tendernefs.

Cape Porpoile.

Soon after Edward Wharton had received his Sentence of Banishment, it came into his heart to go into the Northern parts of New England, and there to visit a people of little or no profession, viz. such as by the loud Professors were accounted as out-casts from all good Government of Church and State; who having escaped the danger of being apprehended in the several Towns, by the Professors, as he passed through, he came to Saco, who having kindly entreated him, and having staid with them a little time, he passed along the Sea-coast to Black Point, and from thence to Caskoe Bay, where from Coast to Coast these out-casts received him and his Testimony with gladness; so after a fem dayes be faced towards Boston again, which put great trouble on the tender People, in sence of what he might meet with as to his life, who parted with him with tears. Here was tenderness from the Samaritans, (so accounted) whilst the Fews (these who stood in that nature that put Christ to death) were in a manner seeking his life. So in the fear of the Lord he passed on, and came near to the place called Black Point, where by the order of onecalled Sir Henry Fosslin, he was in danger to be apprehended, but was not; but on he went, and having waded through the Nu danger at dangerous Rivers, came to a Town on Cape Porpoise, where be was wished to a Professors house, (be having heard of no house of entertainment) who was newly come to their Town, to whom when he came, the man perceiving what he was, would not receive him, but shewed him a house, where he said, He

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might be entertained, but the people told Edward, That it was the Constables house; so Edward seeing the treachery, notwithstanding it was night, and that he was wet, wery, and hungry, rather then to fall into their hands, turned back a mile or more into the Wildernels, to an old mans house near the Sea, and knockt at the door, and defired some entertain. He is enterment for his money; the old man took him in, and refreshed Wildern's by him with such as be had; and on the morrow, the man's wife, an old man. in the morning, went to look to her Cattel, and meeting with the aforesaid Professor, he asked her if a stranger lodged not at ber house that night? the woman simply told bim, There did ; He is a Quaker, faid the Professor, and there will be five pound The old man fine for you to pay for entertaining him. So before the wo- for entertainman came in, he had discovered himself, and his Principles, ing him, by to the man, and the man soon owned him, and his Principles reason of a also: but in came the woman in haste to tell the man what the Professor. Professor had said; so after a little space, the woman was calm and content, and her husband faid, It was the Truth that was testified. And friend, said he, although I may suffer for entertaining of you now, yet when ever you come this way, call in. for you that be wellcome; and so Edward and honest old Stephen Batson and his wife parted:

But see the difference again between the Few and the Samaritan; as Edward was travelling upon the Sandy Beech, by Edward purthe Ocean fide, as he looked back, he faw a man making hafte fued at Sandy after him; but Edward keeping a good pace, got his turn over ther Professor. the Ferry before him, and went into the Ferry-mans house, and notwithstanding the dread of the Law, the woman having some tenderness of bowels toward Edward, because they. knew one another, from the time they were Children in England : The told her husband, That The would Thew kindners to her Countrey man; so they spying a man coming apace to the Ferry, the mans Wife had Edward into a Room, and fet Meat before him; fo the Professor came over and entred into the house, and asked, Whether there was not a stranger, came over the Ferry before him? Yes, said they, but he went his way. Away went the man to the next Town called Wells. and Edward followed after, and in the evening came to Wells,

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Salem.

He is in dange at Bloody Point. Refused to be a Proteffor.

He is forced derness in the wet, and daik night; to feek lodging, or travel.

He is providentially prowided for by the barking of & Dog.

In the house of one that was no Professor.

to a friendly mans house, who adventured to lodge him in his Bain, and in the morning he passed to Piscatagna, and so Come fafe to through all that would evil intreat him in his way, got fafe to Salem; but as he was on his way from Piscataqua River home to Salem, at the Point called Bloody Point, he came to a place called Greenland, and night being approached, he went to one Samuel Hains his house, and defired of him and his wife, enentertained by tertainment for his money; Samuel told him, He did not use to take money of people for his Victuals; to which Edward replyed, If thou wilt entertain me, I shall pay thee for it. Samuel demanded his name, Edward told him. Samuel said, He should entertain none such as he was. What hast thou to lay to my charge? said Edward. Samuel replyed, He was of those that disowned Godly Magistrates and Ministers. Edward declared to him the contrary, whereupon he luffered him to eat in his house, but would not let him lodg therein that night, (a thing which the Indians never denyed him) and told Edward, he was forry that he asked his name. So he pulled out ashilling, the woman seemed to refuse to take it. Edward said, I have promised to pay, and must not falsifie my word with thee. So he laid down the money, and defired a into the Wil- a fire-brand to be given him, that therewith he might kindle a fire in the Woods, it being rainy, and the ravening Wolves having made a land howling a little before him; the night being also very dark, and so dangerous travelling in the Wilderness; this they seemed unwilling to do, but at last gave him one; after he had received which, and he was travelling in the dark and rain, he chanced to fall over an old Tree which lay in the way, upon which the sparks of the brand fell abroad, upon the fight whereof, a Dog came out of a house a pretty way of, and the Dog was fierce, which occasioned the man of the house to come out, and demanded, Who went there? Edward said, A Friend. Whither are je bound? saidhe. Replyed Edward, To Hampton. The man said, It was too dark, and he would lofe himself; And farther said, That if he would go to his house, and accept of a hard bed, he skould be wellcome. Edward gladly received his love, and after a time, the man had him to bed, in which being well refresht, - (87)

fresht, Edward in the morning acknowledged to the man his kindness, and so departed; This man was no Professor.

Had Paul found no better entertainment among the Barbarous Miletians, then Edward, and the People of the Lord had among the Professors of New England, he had neither been favoured by them, nor had the Miracles been done, (viz.) the Vines that came out of the sticks, shook into the fire: nor Publims the chief man of the Island made courteous; nor Paul nor his Companions laden with many honours. But this Generation are worse then any that were ere before them, who are ner alb med, nor do they blush, though they out-Arip Crecians, and Indians, and all the known babitable World (all

things confidered) in such crnelties as these.

A while after Edward Wharton had received the Priests entertainment at Taunton, Edward, and George Preston, and Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambrose, alias Gary, passed East- M. Tomkins, ward to visit the Seed of God in those parts; and in their way A. Ambrose, through Newberry, they went into the house of one John Eme- travel Eastry, (a friendly man) who with his wife feemed gladly to receive them, at whose house they found freedom to stay all night, are encountred and when the next morning came, the Priest, Thomas Par- by Priest Parker, and many of his Followers came to the man's house, and ker. much reasoning and dispute there was about Truth; but the Priest, and many of his Peoples ears were that against the Truth: And in the time of their Discourse, the Wind Ariving in Mary Tomkins stomach, keeping a noise, as usually it is with women, her Body having received no sustenance for the space of near forty eight hours, such many times was the weight and burthen of their wickedness upon them, that they could not eat. One John Pyke, after they were departed the Town, faid, She had a Devil in her. After a while, the Priest perceiving that the Battel might be too hard for him, role up, and took the man of the house, and his wife out of doors with him, and began to deal with them for entertaining into their house such dangerous People. They replyed, They were required to entertain frangers. The Priest (aid, That it was dangerous entertaining such as had Plague-fores upon them. Which the women hearing, began to take the Priest to do, for so

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The Priest

The man of the house fined at Ipswich for entertaining them.

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faying such false wicked and malicious words; but he hyed away. Mary called him to come back again, and not to shew himself to be one of those hirelings that shee and leave their slocks behind them; but he would not turn, and a while after most of the people departed; And when Ips mich Court came thither, he was had and fined for entertaining the Quakers.

Yet one Priest or two more at Boston, whitherto I am come again, and then I shall end this interchangeable progress up and down the Countrey, and pitch at something that may peculiarly relate either to particular places by themselves, or to particular persons; for into this kind of Rapsody, I am in a manner constrained, because the sufferings and propagation of the Truth, are after this manner distributed through the

Countrey.

Joh.Laurence

A Dutch man an Oftender was committed for Adultery, and brought before your Court at Boston; Your Governour Fohn Endicot, asked him, Whether he was guilty, or not guilty? The stranger said, No guilt. At which your Governour faid, in scoffing fort, No Gelt, there is no money, for that word fignifies money in Dutch; but the man spoke according to what he could fay as to English. So the young man was Condemned to be hanged, and after Sentence, committed to Prison again. Doubt being among your selves of the evidence, after a few dayes, old John Wilson Priest, and Priest Fames Mayo, came to the Prison to see what they could get out of him; and Priest Mayo, with one or two more with him. told him, Histime was near at an end, and that he must shortly die, and therefore now he would have him to confess. The man asked him, What he would have him to confes? Will you have me to confess that which I never did? The Priest demanded. How it could be so with him, and be clear? And farther faid; Confess my Son, and give glory to God; with many more foln words of Scriptures, by which he endeavoured to make him berray his life into their hands. The man affirmed, He was clear, for he had not committed the Act for which he was Condemned. But faid the Priest, You cannot be clear, for our Lord and Saviour fayes, Whosoever looketh upon a fair Woman,

Priest Wilson, and Priest Mayo. (89)

and lusterh after her, be hath committed Adultery with her in his beart, (see how this Priest, to serve his Devilish ends, can add to the Scriptures) and therefore you cannot be clear. The young man confest, That fo be and many more might be guilty. So be watcht them narrowly, seeing they came to betray him, and they went their way; but he was cruelly kept, hard and bungry at work all Winter, in much cold and nakedness, and part of Summer, for the Jaylers allowance was a Sheep skin to cover him in Winter; so that his hard, and cold, and languishing imprisonment, was (in some sence) worse then death, but at length he broak Prison, and so obtained deliverance out

of your merciless hands.

And to this, let me add a cruel Tragedy of a Woman of Marble Head, Marble-head near Salem, and her two Sons, (viz.) Elizabeth fon, and her Nicholfon, and Christopher, and Foseph, whom you without two Sons cruel ground charged with the death of Edmond Nicholfon her Hus- Tragedy. band, and their Father, who was found dead in the Sea; you having received information from some wicked Spirits, (like your selves) that the people did shew love sometimes to the People of the Lord, whom you call, Cursed Quakers; your rage soon grew high against them, & into your Butchers tub at Boston you soon had them all three, from their house and goods, which in the mean time was in danger to be robbed, spoiled, and devoured, by such Wolves as your selves are, while you had them in Prison; and from the Prison you had them to the Bar to try them for their lives, upon suspition of having a hand in the death of Edmond aforesaid; but notwithstanding all your cunning and subtile malice to destroy the Mother and her Children at once, yet ye were not able, notwithstanding you fined ber in a great fum, (which, in the behalf of the Court, your Secretary Rawson was willing to take in good Fish, and Salver, for dyet and lodging, in barrels of Mackrel, (so devouring the Widdows house) and her two Sons, to stand under the Gallows certain hours, with Ropes about their necks, and to be whipt in your Market Place, which was performed with many bloody lashes, at which the young men being not appaled; old Wilson standing by, said, Ab cursed Generati-

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on: and at Salem to be whipt also, where Michelson the Marshal (a bloody spirited man) came to see it executed, where it was so mercilesly done, that one of the young men sunk down, or dyed away under the torture of his cruel suffering. whose body they raised up again, and life came to him; this Was near about the time of your murthering William Ledra.

Boston. Warrant denyed by the Constable.

Thus were your Officers punctual to your crueltie, to fee A Copy of the it executed; but to their duty in giving the People called The Quakers, Copies of their Warrants, with which they came to disturb and molest, and their promise so to do : neither were your Officers careful, nor when you heard thereof. did you require them so to do, but at your very Court suffered them to fuffer.

+John Lane.

kins, Alice Ambrose, Sed. to the Court.

Are abused,

Not relieved.

Eliz. Hootons

In particular, Merchant + Lane coming to disturb Mary Tomkins and Alice Ambrose aforesaid, at Boston, Mary demanto Mary Tom- ded a Copy of his Warrant; he promised it, but gave it not. They espying him the next day in the street, followed him into though promi- your Court-house, and complained to some of you, that he had not performed his word, and demanded, whether it was not They complain just he should do it? Instead of doing them justice, they bad the Women not to trouble them. So he violently haled them out of the Court-house, and down the stairs hurled them; some of you thinking that they might be with Child, and that that might hurt them, bad him (after be had done it) not to hurt them; but neither required him to give them a Copy of the Warrant, nor did he give it, nor reprove, or punish him for using them so.

Now to come to the sufferings of Elizabeth Hooton, who is sufferings, and aforementioned, and to shew therein your cruelties to the Aged, as well as to the Infant of dayes, that it may appear to Ages and Generations to come, that your rage hath no Mercy. nor your cruelty Consideration, of any sort or condition of people, you who live in wickedness, and on whom lies the blood of the Innocent; you who have drawn forth your Character beyond the president of former Generations; whose Character I have drawn out for future Generations, that they may see what you are, who shall know what you have done.

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done, and be rewarded according to your deeds.

The aforesaid Elizabeth Hoston, being an ancient Woman, of about fixty years old, being very unlikely as to her condition and Age, to go through such a work, and such sufferings, which the might well expect, confidering the report of your cruelties and blood, beyond what hath been heard of in the English Nation, and found amongst you; yet being required of the Lord, the willingly undertook what was required at her hands; and having Foan Broksupp with her, (a woman near as aged as her felf) who willingly was offered up in the Will on, 1661. of the Lord, in the year, 1661. set Sayl from Old England towards Virginia; no Vessel directly hence to your pasts, accepting to carry them, because of your hundred pound defence for every Quaker which any Ship-master should bring into your Jurisdiction. And from Virginia knew not but they must pass on foot through the untrodden Wilderness (as to the English) many bundred miles, for that the Ship-masters, because of the said defence, refused also to carry them thence; but the Lord affording an opportunity by a Catch, which carried them part of the way, they went the rest by land, and came to Boston, where after a hard passage, and many tedious suf- At Boston. ferings to women in their condition, too long to mention; they could find no place to receive them, because of the penalty of your Laws on those that should receive a Quaker into their houses, as it was to them that should bring them in; so you thought to do your work, and to be rid of those people that should come from without you, as by other cruelties, and death you fought it, as to those that should be within your Jurisdiction, thinking to make havock, and a riddance of these People whom the Lord had fent and raifed up amongst you to turn you unto bim. So il requiting the love of the Lord, and the tenderness of his Servants to you-wards, who notwithstanding all your cruelties and defences, nay the blood of several of bis Servants, gave not over, but still prest in upon you and your Laws of blood and death, to fulfil their Testimony for the Lord unto you, and to leave you without excuse, that his Seed may be raised among you, according to his Will, and that the Gospel of Salvation may be sounded forth among you, and the

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great Day of God Almighty be proclaimed through the earth. who is come to judge the Nations with Equity, and the People with Truth, that the poor among men might trust in the Name of the Lord; Yet at length it was so ordered of the Lord, that a woman friend received them, in whose house they lodged. who were weary, and had been hard bestead in the Wilderness: The next morning (the Tide being so up that they could not go away) they went to visit Friends in Prison; but your layler and his Wife were so filled with cruelty, that they would not let them in, nor near to the place where they were to fee them; but your Tayler haled them up to your Governour Endicot, (the usual civility with which you entertain strangers. and those who come to visit the Prisoners of the Lord, of which much is spoken in this Treatise and the former, who are inhospitable, barbarous, and eruel, and worse then the Indians, who readily do supply them, with what they have, when they travel amongst them, and are forced to wander up and down in the hawling Wilderness) and brought them before him. who after many questions, asked them by your Governour, to which they gave answer, as they were enabled by the Lord. and much scurrilous language, as calling them Witches, with. fuch like, and threatnings, fent them to Prison, by which dore (and there is no other) they came to see their dear Brethren, and Sisters, who therein were thrust for their Testimony to the Truth; Your Governour asked Elizabeth, What the came for ? She answered, To do the Will of him that fent ber. He demanded, What was that ? She replyed, To warn bim of shedding any more innocent blood. He returned to her. That he would hang more. She told him, He was in the Hand of the Lord, who could take him away first. Which was fulfilled, for after that be never took away the lives of any Friends more:

So he sent them to Prison, where was well near thirty more, who stood in the capacity of suffering with themselves for the Name of the Lord, into which suffering it was crime enough to be committed, if any one being spoken to, did but ome himself a Quaker, or to their judgement did but so appear, without having done any thing, or spoken, but coming with

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in your Jurisdiction; A most bloody and savage cruelty, hardly heard of in any Age or Generation, by people professing godliness, much less, that as out-casts (as you would reckon your selves to be, and with which name your High Priest, John Norton Baptized you in some of his Sermons, which by your Order since bis death are made publick) fled to a Wildernels out of their own Land for liberty of Conscience, to their own Countreymen, yea to their Neighbours and Inhabitants, who fuch people are as out of Conscience, or for Conscience-sake, come in amongst you; the day will come, yea already is. wherein men will be as much ashamed of your cruelty, as you are past shame in exercising thereof, upon your Neighbours. and Countreymen, for their Conscience to God, of which you are gone beyond a President, (as I have often said) and that which by Ages to come will hardly be believed; yet (as I have faid again and again) fo it is, and the Lord will recompence you according to your deeds. By this time, four you had put to death upon this very foot, and the blood of many you had cruelly drawn by excellive whippings, cutting off Ears, and other inhumane Butcheries, Fines, Imprisonments, selling for Bondslaves, Banishment. Oh the dreadful account you have to give to him who is Judge of all for these things, whose Judgement none can pass. Oh, the shame of men, that you must pass through to Posterity, whilst Age and Generation is, of which this shall be an everlasting Monument, a line of darkness and blood, which shall incircle your name for ever and ever, which shall rot, and your Memorial perish (as to any thing that is good) amongst men, and you shall know that the most High ruleth among the Children of men ..

Being thus brought to the fight of their suffering friends. through the same door of suffering, among them; they were detained till the Court of Assistance, where there was A great adoe about them, as I have instanced before what to do with : them, some were in the capacity of death, as sentenced thereunto (viz) Wenlock Christisan, who being condemned, and appealing to the General Court at Boston, has a repreive, and was not executed; though when he appealed to England, you admitted

mitted it not: now when William Ledra appealed to England, did you suffer it, but put him to death? (see how you put your selves above England, and hold your selves unconcerned as to any relation to your Countrey, though the King was come in; A man appeals thither, and is sentenced to death; A man appeals thither, and is sentenced to death; A man appeals to your General Court, and hath a Reprieve from the Execution, and afterwards set at liberty, and driven with the rest of those many afore rehearsed, with Smord and Club-men into the Wil-

derness.

The cases of William Ledra, whom you hanged, after denyal of his appeal, and Wenlock Christison aforesaid; I say, some were in capacity of death by your Law, some of Banishment, some of Whipping, some of this thing, and some of that; a great number was in the Jayl; A great fear was upon you, what should become of you, who had such a number in your Tayl: Your Souldiers were commanded to their Arms, your Guards were let : The Innocent Lambs were brought before you, as so many Sheep among Wolves; great toffings and revolutions among you what you should do with them, whether to hang, or banish to the French Forts, or Whip, or what to do, you were in a great strait; you thought to have been rid of them, but many more came upon you; the more you shed their blood, the more came upon you to see if their blood re would shed; the more you made your Laws cruel, and the executions tharp, the more they came upon the sharpnels of your Laws, and the cruelty of your executions, God everlasting (who fainteth not, not is weary, of whose understanding there is no finding out) brought them in upon you, and distressed you fore; yet you faw it not, but like as Balaam, forced himself against the Angel, who stood in the way, with his drawn Sword, whom yet the Aß faw, and would have turned from, and spake to Balaam when he struck him, The dumb Assreproving the madness of the Prophet. So you thought to have out-wearied them by your Laws, you thought to have made them faint by your Executions; the everlasting God was in the midst of them, and the shout of a King was among them, which made you fear and tremble when none pursued 70% (95)

you, or came upon you to do any harm. What shall we do with the Quakers? (was the cry) some said this, some said that; Away with them into the Wilderness, was the result at last; Whip some, dispatch the rest, hasten them away, leave them two dayes Journey in the Wilderness, amongst Wolves, and Bears, and necessity, and mant of maters, and drought, and places uninhabitable, and hardly passable; Perhaps they will be there wearied, or they may perish, or they may never more come upon w; fo into the Wilderness they were driven, and these two amongst the rest encountering with the straights thereof, and almost impossible ever to come out, at least without some mischief or hurt ; but the Lord was with them, and brought them to Rhoad Island, and Providence, and refreshed them who had come through such sufferings and straits. And thus were your Laws for death broken, and the Lord God cameamongst you, and snapt them asunder, and you became rediculous, by how much you attempted that, which you would have by them affected, but were not able.

This being the issue of their first attempt upon you at Boston, they took Ship for Barbadoes, after they had been at Rhoad Island, and been refreshed there as aforesaid, and to New England they returned again, and to Boston, after they had been amongst Friends in the Countrey, as they passed along and through Boston, they made a cry, whereupon your Con- To Boston, & Rable laid hold on them, and carried them to the Ship, who are shipt away was so wicked, that he said, It was their delight, and he could for England. rejoyce to follow Friends to the execution as much as ever they did; pression of the notwithstanding your Law of death aforesaid was broken; so Constalle. they departed for Virginia; and Elizabeth having also suffered for her Testimony to the Truth, she returned to Old Eng- And comes this land, and aboade some space of time at her own Habita- ther.

After this Elizabeth Hooton had it upon her to visit New Eliz. Hooton, England again, and with her, took her Daughter Elizabeth, andher daughwhere being arrived, those of you who were present, would have fined the Master of the Ship an hundred pounds for bring- England again ing her over contrary to your Law; but he telling them that Elizabeth had been with the King, and that she had liberty

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from him to come thither to buy her a House; your Officers were stopt from seizing on his goods. So much regard you had to your own safety, who otherwise had none to him that brought her over; and it's well if you would now mind it, seeing that no other consideration would make you to admit of such a thing in your Jurisdiction; but the Lord is above you, and he accomplishes upon you whatsoever seemeth him good.

Her sufferings again at Boston. She demands

She demands liberty to purchase a house to live in, Friends to meetin ground to bury in; is denyeds

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So into the Countrey the came, and in the Countrey the was, suffering as is hereafter related; and as the could, the came to your Town of Boston, and to answer the end for which The came thither, which was, To buy a house for her self to live in. Friends to Meet in, and ground to bury the dead in, whom you had flain and murthered. And four times was the up at the Court for that purpose, but in open Court you denyedit, and James Oliver denyedit, (a blood-thirfty Perfecutor often mentioned in this Treatise) in particular; which is a thing undeniable according to the nature of your Pattent, and Plantation, which is for any English in them to dwell and inhabit; so you who came thither to Build, and Plant, and Inhabit, will suffer none to Inhabit, Build, or Plant, but whom you will; and who are unreasonable on all accounts. denying people to live where you come to live; and yet because you could not live quietly in England, you came to live. in that Countrey in which you deny others of the same Nation to Buy, Build, Inhabir, or Live. Whereupon the told you, That if you denyed ber a House, the King having promised her liberty in any of his Plantations beyond the Seas, then might she go to England, and lay it before the King, if God so pleased.

So neither King nor Keisar, high or low, rich or poor, have any influence upon you, who do as you list, whose will is your Law, who are inhumane, bruitish, unmerciful, without natural affection; who rather then Truth shall have a place among you, or those who profess it, you will deny that which is not to be denyed by your Pattent to any that profess Truth; if any offend against your Laws, (so far as they are not contrary or repugnant to the Law of England, whose Laws ad-

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mit of any one to buy and purchase, not having respect to their demeanour towards the Law, which executes its felf, and takes its particular advantage on these that offend it.) I fay, Your Laws take hold of them; but to deny to purchase, is contrary to the Law and Government. I never met with fuch a fordid Generation, and so base and bruitish, that feel so little strength in their Religion, that they are afraid of a Womans coming to purchase, and to live amongst them. I can turn me no where, but one new thing or another starts up, which fo puts me to a stand, that I am at a stand how to find words with which to express you; but take heed lest you who have done these things, come to know a day wherein you would be glad to have a hole in Boston, or any other place wherein to hide you, when ye shall not be able to prevail, who thus deny an antient Woman of your own Nation, with her Daughter, to purchase a place to live among you, as is the liberty of the Countrey; who also had liberty from the King to come and purchase in any of bis Plantations. The like you did to Toseph Nicholson and his Wife, (mentioned in the former Treatise) who came also out of England to live amongst you, who according to the nature of your unmerciful spirit, you cruelly exercised, (as the Relation of these things in the said Treatise, to which I refer the Reader, hath them at large) and with much of the same barbarous usage treated you her, as you did them, though her coming over about what she came was with License from the King, who is the Original of your Pattent, and the Law-giver thereunto; but your Will is King, and Reason, and Law, and Religion, and Nature, who turn all things up-fide-down, and overturn the course of Nature what in you lies, and Religion, Law, Reason, and King, and are so obsorb'd into the fiery Spirit of Persecution, that no sap or moissure is left in you, that is either humane, or truly Religious, which is contrary to your end, whose Nature is the very Devils, into which you are turned from the Nature in which you were created, which makes you so implacable, unmerciful, without natural affection; but you will be met with, and the cup you have filled to others, will be filled to you, and you shall know that God is the Lord, and that him in

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his People it is you have so opposed and persecuted in your Imprisonments, Whippings, cutting off Ears, Chainings, Finings, selling for Bond-men, and Bond-women, denying Habitation, and Sojourning, Banishings, and puttings to death, in the day wherein he shall render unto you according to your deeds.

So there I leave you, and come to shew what House you allowed, or what place of Habitation you afforded her, or what entertainment the received from you in your Jurisdiction, who came three thousand miles from her Native Countrey, through the straights and inconveniences of the Seas, with her Daughter, by License from the King, to purchase and live

amongst you.

Her Sufferings at Hampton.

As the went Eastward towards Piscataqua River, the was Imprisoned at Hampton (that Stall of Iniquity) for testifying against Seaborn Cotton, Priest thereof, aforesaid, who sent his man, and took a pyed Heifer from Eliakim Wardel, who owed him nothing; and his Church Members took from John Huller, and the said Eliakim, almost all they had for Fines, for absenting from the Worship of such a one. From one of them. they took all the fat Kine he had, and a fat Calf, with which they feasted themselves, besides twelve bushels of Corn, and other Provisions which were for himself and his Children, and threatned to take away his Children as Bond-flaves, for ten pounds more which they demanded.

At Dover.

Then at Dover, for asking Priest Rayner, aforesaid, a quesion after he had done, she was put in the Stocks, and kept in Prison four dayes in the cold Weather, being an antient Woman, which might have cost her her Life, but the Lord preferved ber. Richard Walden, aforesaid, (whose Wife, it's said, begged the office of Deputy Magistrate for him, that he might mischief Friends) being he who executed this cruelty. through the instigation of the Priest, as before he had done on others, of whom I have made mention; more cold storms the endured, and Perfecution in the Service of the Truth in those parts, then she was able to express, being made a strengthto Friends, and leaving the others without excuse.

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pentance through some part of that Town, where no Friend had been before, (as she had heard of) she was there laid hold of by a blood thirsty crew, and early in the morning had before Thomas Daufort, and Daniel Goggins, (two wicked and bloody Magistrates of yours, of whom I have elsewhere spoken, and their wickedness) who committed her, and whose Jayler thrust her into a noisome stinking Dungeon, where there was nothing to lie down or fit on, and kept her there two dayes and two nights, without helping her to Bread or Water; and because one Benanuel Bower (a tender Friend) brought her a little Milk in this ber great distress, wherein she was like to have perished, they call him into Prison for entertaining a stranger, (such salvage Bruits are you) and fined him five pounds. After two dayes end, and this cruel usage, and her lying two dayes and two nights in this dismal Cell, they had her to the Court, and demanded of her, Who had received her? She answered him that spake to her, If I had come to thy house, I should have seen if thou wouldst have received me, (for I was much wearied with my travel, and they ought to entertain strangers) He said, He would not. Then she said, Sell me a House, or let me have one to Rent, that I may entertain stran- house, &c. at gers; and laid the Kings Promise before them concerning the this place. liberty they should enjoy beyond the Seas, but they regarded it not; but for her entertainment, and in recompence of their cruel usage to her, the noysome Dungeon, and Imprisoning, and Fining, him that gave her a little Milk, when neither Bread nor Water (he had from you in two dayes, as aforesaid; they ordered her to be fent out of their Coaffs towards Rhoad Island, and to be Whipt at three Towns, ten stripes at each, by the way; so at Cambridge she was tyed to the Whipping post, and lasht with ten cruel stripes, with a three fringed Whip, with three knots at an end; and at Water Town he was laid on with ten Aripes more of Rods of Willows; And to make up all, at Dedham in a cold frosty morning they laid on her aged Limbs ten la shes more with exceeding cruelty, at a Carts tayl; and being thus torn and beaten, her skin and flesh, with the aforesaid extremities, they put her on Horseback, and carried ber a weary Journey on Herseback many miles into the Wilderness.

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dernels, and towards night left her there, where were many Wolves, and Bears, and wild Beaft, which used sometimes to fet upon living Persons, and many deep Waters to pass through, there to purchase a House and Ground, which might hold ber Tabernacle, or lodge it therein; for themselves said. They thought they should see her no more. And the whole profecution of this devilish Sentence seems to imply nothing less, and indeed to such an aged Woman, who weary and tired in her body, was cast into a filthy Dungeon, where there was nothing to lie or fit upon in the cold weather; and after the had been kept there two dayes and two nights from Bread and Water, saving a little Milk, and for entertaining her. he that brought and did it, was Fined, and Imprisoned, as aforesaid, to be had forth in this weak and fainty condition. and whipped fo cruelly, at three feveral Towns, and then to be had on Horseback, and left in the vast Wilderness towards night, with her Aged Body torn and masserated, as aforesaid. where the had twenty miles to pass through to any Town. where were Waters, Bears, Wolves, &c. and in a cold fezion, frost and snow, in a strange place, and in the night, where the might have wandred up and down till the had perished, reasonably fulfilled their desire; for which purpose, (viz.) that such a defire might be fulfilled, to wit, that there the might have perished, these things bespake their intent as it doth: A horrid piece of inhumane butchery. But the Lord who never faileth those that put their trust in him, who preferved Daniel in the Lyons Den of old, who preferves them. that suffer for his Name, and obey his Will, was near to, and preserved her, and through the Waters, many of which the passed through, with the peril of her life, and all other the extream inconveniences of that her condition, led her through and upheld her aged, weary, martyred Body, and brought her the next morning to a Town called Rehoboth, being neither weary, nor faint, and then to Rhoad Island, to Friends. where the was refreshed, and gave Glory to the Lord, who had counted her worthy, & enabled her to suffer for his Name, beyond what her Age and Sex could otherwise reasonably have born, who never faileth them that put their trust in him.

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Being come to Rhoad Island, and having been there re- At Cambridge freshed among the People of the Lord, it was with her to re- again, and her turn near to Cambridge, and to fetch her Cloaths and other daughter, and things, which those cruel Monsters would not suffer her to man, a mother take with her, when they whipt, and fent her away as afore- of seven chilfaid: so the took her Daughter with her, and travelled thither dren, an Inhafrom Rhoad Island; being about eighty miles distant, whither- bitant. to being come, the aforesaid Thomas Daufort being grieved that the was alive, made a Warrant to the Constable of Charles Town to apprehended them, and Sarah Coleman, an antient Woman of Scituate, who with another with her, met them in the Woods, as they were going back; and having bid them stand in the Kings Majesties Name, as they said, demanded whether they were Quakers? for that he had a Warrant to avprehend Quakers; and asked them, What they were? Elizabeth answered, Wilt thou apprehend thou knowest not who, nor for what? We are Christians, and the Servants of the Living God. He replyed, I suppose you are Quakers, therefore in bis Majesties Name, Stand. What Majesty? Said Elizabeth. The Kings, replyed the Constable. Now thou hast told a lie, for I was later with the King then thou, and he hath made no such Laws. He replyed, I must have you to Cambridge. But the Friend that was an Inhabitant faid, She would not go except he carried her. So they passed on the way, and the Constable, and the other man followed them, till they came to a Town, where meeting with a Cart, he commanded those with the Cart to aid him, and violently set them therein, having no respect to the antient Woman the Inhabitant; and so drew them to Cambridge; where your Magistrates being not at. home, they were kept Prisoners till night, at which time Deniel Goggin coming home, they were fetch't before him, where there were a crew of wicked Cambridge Schollars; that abused them both at the first time, and now. Goggin demanded of Elizabeth, Wherefore they came thither, feeing they had warned her not to come there any more. She replied, That the came not there of her own accord, but was forced thither as The had been to fetch her Cloaths, which they would not let her take with her, when they first whipt and sent her away, and now (he:

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she had fetch't them, and was returning back, she was taken up out of the high way and forced thither, (so dealing unreasonably, first punishing her for coming thither, and denying to let her take her cloaths with her when they first sent her away, and then when she had fetch't her cloaths, and was returning back, brought them thither on purpose to punish them, as if they otherwise had came thither.) Then of the old Woman he demanded, Whether she owned Elizabeth and her Religion? She answered, She owned the Truth. So he wrote them down all three for Vagabond Quakers, though the old Woman was an Inhabitant whom he knew, and who dwelt but a little way from him. And of Elizabeths Daughter, that only accompanied her Mother, he demanded, Dost thou own thy Mothers

Religion? To which she answered nothing.

So he fent them that night to the house of Correction, and the mext morning betimes the Whipper came up, before it was light, and asked them, Whether they would be whipt there? Elizabeth demanded of him, Whether he was come to take away their blood in the dark? And whether they were ashamed that their deeds should be seen? So he took Elizabeth down stairs, and whipt her by her felf, with a three-stringed Whip, ten stripes; then he brought down the antient Woman, and did the like by her; and then Elizabeths Daughter, and gave the like to her, who was never there before, nor had faid or done any thing; with which they were not fatisfied, but fent the Constable with them to other Towns, there to have them whipt again; their Order being, To have them from Constable to Constable towards Rhoad Island, and to be whipt at three Towns. This was the entertainment they received at Cambridge, ( your Universitie of wickedness) and from Thomas Daufort, and Daniel Goggin Magistrates, who (viz. Goggin) defited his Brother Hathorn to send some Quakers that way that he might see them lash't, as is mentioned elsewhere in this Treatise; and the entertainment they received in other parts. and the House, and Lodging, and Ground, other then which The could have no purchase, which the paid for, and her Daughter at this rate, though with License from the King, and according to the priviledge of the Countrey, and your Pattent, (103)

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live amongst you.

Well these things being done, to Boston she came again, and warned ye to Repentance, and of the terrible day of Wrath. that was coming upon you from the Lord; as to which, by your Governour he had audience a little while; after which the was brought to your Deputy, and delivered her Message to him also, who ill rewarded her for her good will to him and all men. and sent her to the House of Correction, where at the Whipping-post the was whipt ten stripes, with such a Whip as aforesaid: From thence sent to Roxbary, and there whipt at a Carts tayl : and from thence to Dedham, where again the was whipt at the Carts tayl, where another man was also whipt with her; and from thence to Medfield, where their blood was thirsted after, but they were restrained from doing any thing to her. Nevertheless they sent her that night into the Wilderness, where the had above twenty miles to go in the exceeding cold, whose body had been so torn and abused, where she was constrained to go through feveral watery places; yet she was preserved, and brought to a Town the next day, where fometimes (he aboad among Friends, and afterwards went to Boston again, where for asking a Priest a question, she was cast At Boston into Prison two dayes, and then whipt from the Prison door, againto the end of the Town, at a Carts tayl, and then fent to Rhoad Island, with a Warrant to whip her from Town to Town, threatning her withal, That if ever the came again, you would put her to death, or brand her in the Shoulder.

Many more paffages might be mentioned of her sufferings, who thus suffered, an aged Woman, for ber Testimony to the Lord; as her being Imprisoned at your Governours Funeral: the faw an end of him, who boasted, He would take away the lives of more of our Friends, when the warned him of thedding any more innocent blood; to whom the answered, That he was in the Lords hand, who could take him away first before he hanged any more. Even so he was taken away first, as she had said unto him; and the was twice more afterwards Imprisoned; also at Brayntree the was Imprisoned two days after her arrival, and at At Braintree; Salem, and by force had her Horse (as was Wenlock Christi- At Salem,

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fons Horse also) took away to carry the Kings Commissioners, to that the was constrained to go threefcore miles on foot, to the endangering of her life in the Wilderness. But what hath been faid thall suffice at this time, wherein through such variety of many cruel sufferings, I am constrained, though I do but in a manner but touch at many things, to pass along. lest in these tedious and howling Wildernesses of cruelties and sufferings, and the Relation of them, the Reader should be tyred; but it is harder to feel & go through them that way, then to read them over this, which that they may be, and continued to Posterity, as a Record of the virtue of that which is everlasting, how it hath carried the Friends of Truth in this Age, as it hath done in the former Ages, through all they have met with, for their Testimony to the Lord; and that it may be a blot unto the house of the micked, who shew themselves in this day, as in the dayes of old; and a Memorial to the faithfulness of the Servants of the Lord to his Name, in the movings of the Lord I have written; All which faith Elizabeth Hooton, and much more I have gone through and suffered, and much more could I for the Seeds fake, which is buried and oppressed, and as a Cart is laden with Sheaves, and as a Prisoner in an inward Prison-house; yea the love that I bear to the Souls of all men, makes me willing to undergoe whatfoever can be inflicted.

Katharine Chatham, her fufferings at Bo. on.

Yet a word or two of Katherine Chatham, of whom I have made mention in the Margin of what hath been faid before. She came from London through many Tryals and hard travels to Boston, and appeared cloathed with Sack-cloath, as a fign of the indignation of the Lord coming upon you, in the weight and sence of which she came there, and appeared. For which, instead of coming to a sence of your condition, and what was coming upon you, in the butthen of which she came so far, and through such hardship, you laid hands upon her, and put her in Prison, out of which you would give no deliverance, until with the seven and twenty aforesaid, you drove her with Sword and Club into the Wilderness, and that was the reward you gave her for her love in coming so amongst you. And such was your rage and cruelty to her, that at Dedham

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Thus much of Elizabeth Hooton, and her Sufferings, and Katharine Chathams, in New England; I shall now turn towards the Dutch Plantations, and then to Dover again, and give a little farther account of the cruelties in those parts, that I may draw both ends of your Jurisdiction together, and give the sum of your cruel and inhumane treating of the In-

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## Sufferings in the Dutch Plantations.

Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambrose, having through many M. Tomkins, cruel sufferings and sore travels, finished what they had to do A. Ambrose, in New England at that time, they Embarked for Long Island, in their way for Virginia & Mary-Land, as aforesaid, whom Edward Wharton and Williams Reap accompanying as far as Oyster-Bay, they went towards New Amsterdam, and so came to a Town called Wiffing, or Flushing, where they were refreshed in the faithfulness & fellowship of the People of the Lord there, who being under the Dutch Government, had suffered much Persecution, and spoyling of their Goods, by Peter Steven- Peter Stevenson, the Dutch Governour, who was by some of you much in- son Dutch Higated thereunto, and therefore I place it under the head of Governour. the Sufferings of the People of the Lord amongst you.

Amongst the rest, John Bound found a barbarous Treatment John Bound's from the said Peter Stevenson, whom he took from his aged ings there; Father, and dear Wife, and Children, and threw into a Cast into a noisome Dungeon, where having kept him very long, and Dungeon: well nigh famished him to death, he was brought forth, and Sentenced into Banishment, and carried forthwith on Ship- Banished.

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board into a Dutch Veffel, and not suffered so much as to see his Family, and had to Holland, one of the United Provinces. where having acquainted the States with the hard measure be had fultained from the Governour aforefaid, and on Shiploard in his way thither, he was fet at liberty, who thereupon came for England, and from thence by the way of Barbadoes, to Long Island again, and to the Town where he had been To ciuelly entreated, and from whence be had been Banished. as aforesaid. In the streets of which he one day passing along, met with the aforesaid Governour, who appeared much abashed for what he had done to John, and told him, He was glad to jee him safe come home again; and moreover told him, He hoped he should never do so any more to any of our Friends. Which Was an ingenuity that I never yet could hear of from any of you to your Neighbours, and Countreymen, after all your cruelties. A good ligh of repentance, with which you never were found exercifed, which will return upon you, and prove your Judgement, from whom no remorfe or pitty ever was understood to have proceeded, who worfe then the worlt of men have alwayes Judged there- appeared, whose Judgement will be without a Parallel, as you are in wickedness beyond a President.

Having been at Flushing, the aforesaid passed to Grave-Sands, now called Graves End, fince the English took it in, Where John Tilton, and Mary his Wife, and Michael Spi-Wife, Michael ger, and her Son Samuel; had much suffered for the Truth, (especially Samuel, who had suffered fore Imprisonment near Sufferers there unto death) in Imprisonments, and much spoiling of their Goods in that Town, as had divers others of the Servants of the Lord in that Town by the Durch Rulers; into which Town Jos Nicholfon being newly entred, and into John Tiltons house, Joseph Nicholon, and John Riddal, and Jane Millard came, as they met them there were in their return from Virginia, where they had been, from Virginia. and at Mary-Land, through many hard travels, and Sufferings in the Service of the Lord; being thus brought together unexpectedly, by the good Hand of the Lord, and refreshed by him in the love and fellowship of him, and one another, it was in their hearts to go to the chief Town of the Dutch; unto which as they were passing through a Town called Flat (107)

Flat Bush, John Liddal cried aloud in the Greets, Warning Go towards the chief Town them. To turn by true Repentance from the evil of their wayes. of the Dutch. Upon which the Scout foon laid hold on, and had him to his John Leddal house, and lock't both his Legs in Irons, till he was ready to cries Repenbring him to the Town where the Governour dwelt, which fance through Hat Buth was about ten miles; which Edward Wharton looking upon, Town, he is asked him, Wherefore he had put him in Irons? and what evil laid hold on, had he to lay to his charge that he thus delt with him. He an put in Irons by swered, It was their Governours Order to do so to the Quakers if they preached amongst them. To whom Edward replyed, If a Drunkard, or a Whoremaster, or a Swearer come amongst you, him you will not so deal withal; but if a man be fent of God amongst you, to turn you from the evil of your wayes, him you put in Irons. The Scout answered. That when he had Dined he would take off his Irons, and have him to the Governour. So with a Dutch Guard he led him to the Fort, fevenor eight Friends accompanying him, through whom in the Arcets the Trumpet of the Lord founded with great dread, and was very terrible, at the cry of which much People came together, and the Heathen raged, and the People were like the troubled Waters, and coming near the Fort, out came the Fiscal, and in a proud and lofty manner had them into the Fort, and with violence threw them one after another He is cast into into Prison, regarding neither Men, nor Women, and telling them, That they did not hang them by the Necks, as their Countreymen in New England did; (see how through your Mary Tilton, example they were invited unto cruelty, and judged it little W. Reap, in comparison to yours) and there kept them a day or two; after Which, apon the request of a Dutch Master of a Vessel, M. Tomkins, the Governour ordered them to be put on board his Ship, who Jane Millard, carried them away, referving John Tilton and his Wife for a they a compafarther cruelty there in Prison; but the Lord hath since met. with that Governour for his cruelty, and so will he do with all his Enemies in his due time. The names of the Prisoners are, Foseph Nichollon, John Tilton, Mary Tilton, John Liddal, William Reap, Edward Wharton, Alice Ambrole, Mere Tomkins, Fane Millard.

Prison, and . Nicholfon, John Tilton, E. Wharron, A. Ambroie, nied him, and after 1000 days except J. Tilton & Mary Shipt, and fet

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Thomas Newhouse taken declaring the Word of the Lord in the Fort at Manadas amongst the Dutch, was pull'd and hal'd to Prison, where he was kept about five dayes; and being that they could not stop his mouth from declaring the Truth. they took this course, to fend him away to New England, and so put him aboard a Vessel.

Dover. Ed. Wharton.

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ver.

In the year 1663, on the fourth day of the fifth month, Edward Wharton aforesaid, being at Piscataqua River, and hearing of the cruelties done by your Court of Dover, aforefaid, was pressed in Spirit forthwith to repair to the Court, where your Magistrates being assembled, he cryed-aloud, and said, Wo to all Oppressors and Persecutors, for the Indignation of Court at Dothe Lord is against them. Therefore Friends, whilst you have time, prize the day of his Patience, and cease to do evil, and learn to do well; ye who spoil the poor, and devour the needy; ye who

lay traps and snares for the Innocent.

puts him in the Stocks,

These words of advice and counsel, and denunciation of Judgement, against that which oppresses and persecuted the Innocent, were very hard to your Court; and Thomas Wiggin The Wiggins aforesaid, (an old black and a bloody Professor) being in a great rage, cryed out, Where is the Constable? Where is the Constable? The Marshal coming, they haled him to the Stocks. and put in his legs, and so held him, till having consulted what to do, they had him in again, and then William Hathorn. of. Salem, (Edwards own Town, where was his place of Ha. bitation) who sat that time Fudg of the Court, demanded of him wherefore he came thither? Who answered, To bear my Testimony for the Truth against persecution and violence. Whereupon the said Wiggin fell a raging again, to whom Edward said. Tho. Wiggins Thomas Wiggins, Thomas Wiggins, Thou shouldst not rage for thon art old, and very gray; and thou art an old Persecutor, it's time for thee to give over, for thou may be drawing near to thy. Grave: which gave issue to an Order to whip him through three Towns, ten stripes at each Town; and so to convey him to his own dwelling, from Constable to Constable, as a Vagabond Quaker, who was a housekeeper at Salem, and there about his business; which cruel Sentence, as the + Clerk was writing.

(who was Edwards next Neighbour in Salem) Will, Hathorn

bid.

And W. Hathorn, For warning

Sentences him to be whipt through three. Towns, ten Aripes each, as a Vagabond, who was all boufekeeper. + Elias Stileman, Senior.

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bid him write it in the Kings Majesties Name; Whereupon Edward Wharton said, Friends, you do wrong the King, and abuse his Name, for I believe (faid he) he never gave you such order so to abuse his honest Subjects. William answered. The King hath fent over to us, to make tharp Laws against you, for in so doing he should like it well, for they do the same in England. Which was the knack with which he pleased you, when he beat down your Power, by the rest of the Contents of his Declaration, as aforesaid.

The Copy of the Pass is as followeth.

The Copy of the Warrants.

To the Constables of Dover, Hampton, Salisbury, Newberry, Rowley, Ipswich, Wennam.

VOU, and every of you, are required in his Majesties Name, (and yet you will not obey his Name abused) Commissioners, nor submit unto his Authority divested unto them; nor his other Orders, for some of you to appear in England, and answer to what shall be laid to your charge, as hath been said) to receive into your custody, Edward Wharton, a Vagabond Quaker, and convey him from Town to Town, until he come to the place of his Habitation is Salem's and the Constables of Dover, Hampton, and Newberry, ars to whip him through their respective Towns, at the Carts tayl, not exceeding ten fripes in each Town, according to the Law of Vagabond Quakers in that behalf. This being the Sentence of the Court held at Dover, the fourth of July, 1663. And hereof you are not to fail at your Revils. Dated the fourth of July, 1663.

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Per Elias Stillman, Cleric.

Edward is whipt at Doyer

Cart wheels.

Drawn by peo-

Ferensy Tiblets Constable, having received the Warrant, he was bid to have Edward away, and tye him to the Carts tayl, and whip him through the Town. To which Edward manfully answered, as he was pailing from them. Friends, I fear not the worst ye may be suffered to do unto me; neither do I feek for any favour at your hands. And to William Hathorn, he said, O William, William, the Lord will surely visit thee. At a pair of So to a pair of Cart-wheels he was tyed, with a great Rope about his middle, and a number of People to draw them about, where the Executioner cruelly whipt him, (as in the Warrant) and having loofed him, told him, That he must pre-And endeavoured to be had to pare to receive the like at the next Town, which was about the next Town. fourteen miles from thence, through the Woods; which being a long way for a man to travel on foot, whose back was fo torn already to serve their pleasure in his own execution, he told them, He should not go unless they provided a Horse for him, or that they dragged him thither. Whereupon your Executioner complaining to your Court, this Order, according to this Copy was iffued forth, as followeth.

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He refuses to go, unless carried on a horfe. He is recommitted.

A copy of the Warrant.

To the Constables of Dover, or either of them.

The Kings Name abused again.

Hese are to require you, That whereas Edward Wharton, a Vagabond Quaker, hath been Sentenced according to Law, and at present a Horse according to that Sentence is not to be obtained. These are in his Majesties Name, (What still in his Majesties Name, and yet rebel against him? ) to will and require you, to commit the faid Edward to the Prison at Dover, there to remain in safe custody till the next second day of the Week; and then you are to execute the faid Sentence according to Warrant formerly delivered unto you; hereof you are not to fail. Dover, the fourth of the fifth month, 1663. Thomas Wiggins, William Hathorn, Eliazer Lufher.

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This Lusher shewed his love to the King, in furnishing one Eliazat Lushof the Kings Commissioners with a miserable Horse and a Sad-

dle, the best that he thought fit for him.

This Order being issued out, he was had to Prison, and Commissioner. there uncivily lock't up in a little hole, where another mans Edward is Wife was, who was there for falle acculing of her Husband, (what work ye make, who care not how you abuse the Innocent) and on the second day of the next week, he was had second day of out, and put upon a Horse without Bridle or Halter in his the next week. hand, having nothing to hold by, but the pummel of the Saddle, one leading the Horse, and two guarding him on each Horse. fide, as some notorious offender, from Town to Town, and And had to the doing their executions as the Warrant required : The Con- next Towns, stable told him, That your Judge bad him, if the faid Edward would not go quietly, that they should tie him over the Horse back, or drag him at the Horse heels; which (if so) might have murthered him, because of the stumps of Trees, and Rocks, and rugged way that was in the Wilderness; but Edward was contented herein, that he was accounted worthy to suffer for Righteousness sake, with them who through many tributations do enter into the Kingdom of God.

Thus it fared with Edward Wharton for his Testimony to the Truth, and against your Persecution. I shall now give an account of some others on whom your cruelty lighted at Salem, by the hand of the faid wicked Hathorn, whose cruelty

is farther drawn forth in what follows.

This said Hathorn before he was a Magistrate, bore Testimony against Perfecusion, and restraining Conscience in the dayes of Oliver Cromwel, in one of your Meeting-houses at W. Hathorns Salem, faying, That if such an Ast (which you were then a- testimony aboot, viz. To restrain from Preaching, but by allowance of cer-gainst restraintain Persons) (hould take place in New England, he looked up- ing from on it as one of the most horridst Acts as ever was done in New lingland, and would be as great a token of Gods for faking New England, as any. And yet after long waiting, coming to be Now turned a a Magiltrate, what a bloody Persecutor hash he been to the Truth?

Not long after Edward Whartons executions, as afcresaid,

er Perfecutor, his flighting the Kings lockt up with a defamed moman, till the Then had out. and put on a and whipt, and whipt again.

preaching before he was a Magistrate. bloody Perfecutor, being a Magistrate.

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Joseph Nicholson, John Millard, John Liddal, Ann Coleman, whipt. Through Salem, Boston, and Dedham.

Ann Coleman near dead. Through the knots of the whip, splitting one of the Nipples of her Breasts, Intends to lay her blood on Bellingham if she had died.

For encouraging to the Execution.

Joseph Nicholson, John Liddal, Jane Millard, and Ann Coleman, were by the said Hathorns Warrant apprehended, and so cruelly whipt, through Salem, Boston, and Dedham, that one of them, viz. Ann Coleman, was near death, being well-nigh murthered. She was a little Woman, and her back (as hath been said) was crooked, and your Executioner had her sast in a Cart at Dedham, Bellingham, your Deputy, having seen Hathorns Warrant, bidding them go on, and saying, The Warrant was sirm; and so encouraging the matter, he so unmercisfully laid her on with the rest, that with the knots of the point the nipple of her Bred which so the rest.

whip, he split the nipple of her Brest, which so tortured her, that it had almost cost her life, which she sometimes thinking might have been the consequence, was willing, if she should have dyed, that her Body should have been brought and said before Bellingham, with a charge from her mouth, That he was guilty of her blood. But it pleased the Lord that she recovered, though it was long after that she was thus cruelly handled.

She was Banished afterwards at Antegoa.

Salem.
Thomas Newhouse Sentenced and whipt through three Towns.

Edward Wharton testifying against these craelines see. Sentenced, and whipt fifteen lashes, by Hathoins order.

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+ Hathorn cryed to the people, Knock them down, knock them down because their telling him of his unrighteousness, did not please him.

Not long after this, John Liddal, and Thomas Newhouse, were apprehended at Salem after the Meeting, and by Hathorns order were brought before him, and Sentenced to be whipt through the Towns, according to their Vagabond Law; which was done accordingly. And Edward Wharton, (because he testified against these bloody proceedings, and the said Hathorns former † deceit acted against him) was had out of the hearing of the said Hathorn, whilst he Sentenced him, and then sastned to the Post, and whipt, by John Massey, with fourteen sore lashes, in his own Town where he lived.

Now Hathornaforesaid, to do his Brother Guggen a courtesse, as Pilate did Herod, when he had Jesus before him, ordered at the said Guggens desire, that the aforesaid should not be whipt through Boston, but through Cambridge, where the said Gug(FI3)

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gen (one of your Magistrates) lives, who (as was faid) defired, That his Brother Hathorn would send Daniel Guggen Persecusome of the Quakers through that Town, that he might take order for their whipping there. But the Constable of Lynnor being at home, blood-thirsty Guggen was disappointed of his draught of blood. And Friends being at liberty, and coming to Boston, you laid hold on Thomas Newhouse, and whipt him through that Jurisdiction. The cause of their whipping was, for his Testimony in their Meetinghouse: where having spoken to them what was with bim, and having two glass Bottles in his hands, dasht them to pieces, saying to this effect, That so they (hould be dasht in pieces.

tor at Cambridge, bis desire to have Friends fent through that Town, that he might order them to be whipt.

Tho. Newhouse whipt through Boston Furisdi Etion. For testifying in their Meeting house, And giving a sign that they should be dasht in Dieces.

Thus ran your cruelty from Dover to Salem, and from Salem to Boston, and that way; and now it thwarts the Countrey again, and as Fire-works upon a Line, being touched, fly their san-course, from one end of the line to the other, and fo back again, and athwart; So did your Warrants of blood; and to Piscataqua River, it posteth from Boston, as it had from Piscat River.

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thence to Pisca aqua, almost the two ends of your Jurisdiction. On the great Island, in the River aforesaid, it seems, Foleph Nicholfon, and John Liddal, crying out against the Drunkards, and the Swearers, they were almost struck down with a piece of Wood by Pembleton's man, the Ruler of that place, with which the said + Bryan Pembleton being not con- + This is that tent; but to justifie the violence of his said Servant against Bryan Pemthe Servants of the Lord, who had bore Testimony against wickedness, as aforesaid, and to shew his cruelty, ordered ter end of this them to be whipt at a Carts tayl, at Stramberry Bank, by John Treatife. Pickering, Constable, and to be delivered to the other Constable where he was, for the said end and purpose; but the Constable being cross to their doings, said, That though the The Constable Law did require him to get a Cart and Oxen, yet it did not re- refuses to find anire him to find Yokes, and therefore unless Pembleton would youks. find Yoakes, he would not do his work; so he set them at li- Set at liberty, berty.

John Liddal, abused. bleton mentioned in the lat-

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At another time, Thomas Newhouse, John Liddal, Edward Wharton\_

Dover.

T. Newhouse Wharton, Jane Millard, and Ann Coleman, on a first day of John Liddal, the week, coming to your Worship-house in Dover, were by Ed. Wharton, the said Waldens command, (of whom I have formerly spoken) imprisoned at haled to Prison, where after he had caused them to be detained almost two weeks, though he confessed, That for ought he knew, they might be such as were spoken of in the 11th. of the Hebrews: yet he must execute the Law against them, and so fer them at liberty. The People promised that the Priest Ray-Priest Rayner ner should give them a fair reasoning, when his Worship was done; but he broke their word, and packt away; and though the Women followed him to his house, yet he would not turn, but clapt to his door, having taken out the Key, and turned Ann Coleman out of the house.

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Hampton.

After this the aforesaid passed to Hampton, and being met together with Friends in the fear of the Lord to wait upon him, the Constable with a rude company came and pulled down some of the house, and then dragged them out one by one as there, and fet they were at Prayer; and having kept them Prisoners a while. set them at liberty.

Imprisoned at liberty.

These things being done, and they having visited the Friends of Truth in those parts; they return to Salem, where Edward Ed. Wharton, Wharton having stayed a while, and having been a while at Rhoad Island, about his outward occasions, he and George Pre-Come to Bo- ston, and Wenlock Christison, came from thence to Boston, ston, are at a where they had a good meeting of Friends, wherein the living. Meeting there. Power of God was felt, and the overcoming presence of the (weetness of his pure love, and the life of him in their Tents, which made their hearts glad, and their Souls truly to rejoyce in the God of their Salvation, unto whose pure and most blessed Name they gave the glory for ever.

Salem. Geo. Prestons W. Christison

> The Meeting being as aforesaid, and the life and truth, in the Power of the living God, being then declared, the Spirit of the Lord moved in the deep of many dark hearts then; at which Hell was moved, and the Prince of the power of Darknels was disturbed, and his Servants were much tormented: and Edward Rawson (of whom I have often spoken for his cruelty and blood) was principal of them, whose profession and practice hath often been dyed in the blood of the Innocent) be-

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stirred himself exceedingly, & like a man distracted walked to & fro, from one Window of the house to the other, chafing and fretting, as he saw many People standing without, to hear the Rawson diwords of Tauth declared, chiding some in his madness, and furbs the threatning others, which few seemed to regard, which caused bim to iffue forth a micked confused Warrant, according to the form hereafter exprest.

## To the Constable of Boston.

YOU are hereby required in his Majesties Name, Warrant. Warrant. stranger, and a Q taker, with several others there, the said stranger publikly among st many, endeavouring to seduce his Majesties good Subjects (and what good Subjects are ye to rebel against him?) and people to his cursed Opinions, (who seduces them into Rebellion against him, in refusing to observe the Authority of his Commissioners) by his Preaching among st them; You are to carry the faid strangers before the Honoured Governour, to be proceeded with, as the Law directs, and return the Names of such as are their Hearers.

Dated at Boston, the 4th. of May, 1664.

Per Edward Rawson. Commissioner.

With the Warrant aforesaid, the Constable Duer came to the house where the Meeting was, but it was ended, and the stranger was gone, before the man of his strength came; so the Constable, with two unreasonable men more, searched for him at Nicholas Upshals, finding him not at the other house, Apprehends where meeting with Edward Wharton, but missing the stran- Ed. Wharton. ger, they questioned Edward, whether he was one that spake at the Quakers Meeting? He demanded of them, What they had to do to examine him? We have a Warrant, (faid they.)

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Let me see it, (said he) My name is not in it, said Edward. when he saw it. You shall go before the Governour (said the Constable) notwithstanding; Edward refused to go without a Warrant. The Constable thewed his black Staff, and faid. Here is my Warrant. And so like unreasonable men they drag-Brings himbe. ged him out of the house, and led him away to the Governours, where Rawson was with your Governour, they both waiting to fee when any prey would be brought into their Teeth, by their Wolvish Hunters; before whom Edward standing with his Hat on, Rawson asked him, Whether he knew before whom he was? Edward answered, He was before him. who was called the Governour. Your Governour commands his Hat to be pulled off: the Constable took it off, and put it in Edwards hand. Edward put it on his head again. Your Governour in great rage commanded the Constable to take it off again (What adoe here is about a poor Hat, the simple covering of a mans head, which turns all wisdom out of doors, and Government amongst you? ) and to throw it into the fire. and burn it. I believe (said Edward) that when our Friends are brought before the King with their Hatson, he would not be so uncivil as to command such a thing. And so informed your Governour of the bad and disorderly carriage of the Constable. and his Companions. Your Governour asked, Why he did not profecute them? Edward answered. Thou knowst we are not such a People; and defired to know what they had against him? Rawson charged him for coming from Salem to Boston (a great offence sure, as I may speak by the way of contraries, for an Inhabitant of a Colony, and a Trade(man, and Housekeeper, to travel about his lawful occasions) to the Quakers Meeting. Edward answered, He came not then from Salem. From whence came ye then? said Rawson. From the Westward, replied Edward. What did ye there? said Rawson. What hast thou to do (replyed Edward) to demand of me what I do in another Furifdiction? I have been about my occasions. Your Secretary asked your Governour, Whether he would accept of this answer? No said your Governour. (See how the Governour and Secretary hitch together to cause the Innocent to suffer.) Then Ramson began to raise false accusations against him

fore the Governour.

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bim, and to charge him with going about the Countrey to deceive People, (see your account of the Declaration of the

Gospel of Peace) and that he and others had been at Milcome, and had done much hurt there (which Milcome is a place at which Rowfons Son was an oppressive + Priest (and see how the Father manageth the Sons (Priest Tories) quarrel, and what partiality and injustice is here? Indeed I scarce reckon it, because your whole course is nothing else but one intire piece of injustice and ornelty.) And after he had flouted, and thrown out his dirt and filth at Truth, and the Friends thereof, Rawson said, That if he gave no better account of his business; (And what better account would be have of a man who had as much reason and justice to be in Boston as himself, being a Housekeeper in your Jurisdiction, and being charged with nothing as an offence by your own Law as done by him?) He should suffer as a Vagabond. Replyed Edward, I defie the life of a Vagabond, and that Law is a wicked Law, and very wicked and unrighteous men are they that cause those that fear the Lord to suffer by such a micked Lam. So Ramson drew his Sentence. which is as followeth.

Sentences him to be whipt

as a Vagabond. + Samuel Tory, who promised the people at Milcome, at his fift coming, to labour with his hands, to ease their provision for his mantenance, but instead thereof, took away the Quakers (one Hen. Tucker's) Cordwood, without giving notice, and fold it at Boston, to buy Glass for his new house, that the people built for him; and bis Wife got George Badcock's Cow to make up the number of hers for her Dairy: A right Tory

To the Constable of Boston, or his Deputy, and of copy of the Lyn, and his Deputy.

Which serves you as an honest Mans hand doth a Cheats to counterseit withal, for when you please, the Kings Authority is of no validity) to commit the Body of Edw. Wharton to safe custody till the next morning, and then to take him out of Prison, and cause him to be tyed to a Carts tayl, and whipt through this Town, and delivered to the Constable of Lyn, to be alike whipped, and

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by him to be carried to Salem, the place of his aboad, ('tis well there was not a third Town in your way, to fulfil your Law, which yet how can ye make him to have transgrest?) from whence as a Vagabond, and a Vagabond (what madness is here, to render a man a-Vagabond, who is an Inhabitant! hath the Earth ever heard of fuch things as these?) he bath strayed, and refused to give a satisfactory answer for such his Vagrant life; (and yet refuse to give a satisfactory An-Iwer's can a Vagrant life give an Answer that is satisfactory?) whereof you are not to fail.

Dated the 4th. day of May, 1664.

John Endicot.

Edwards re-

Warns them of

Judgement.

Notwithstanding after he had wrote this, he told Edward, That if he would promise the Governour to come no more to the Quakers Meeting in Boston, then it was likely the Governour would let him have his liberty. Not for all the World, ply to the ten- (replyed Edward) And Friends, (said he) I have a back to der of liberty. lend to the (miter, and I have felt your cruel whipings before now, and the Lord hath made me able to bear them; and as I abide in his fear, I need not fear what you shall be suffered to do unto me. But surely the Lord will visit you for the blood of the Innecent, and your day is coming, as it is come upon many, who but yesterday were higher in power then ever you were, or are like to be, but now are made the lowest of many; and truly my Soul laments for you.

But none of these things prevailed, though they were words seasonable and tender; but as those that scorn all reproof, and set Counsel at nought; The Constable was commanded to deliver him to the Fayler; and the next morning a man with a Horse and a Cart came to the Prison door, and the Hangman with his Whip; and he bring tyed fast to the Cart, he was ernelly whipt (his Back being naked almost a mile) through Boston Town; and his Hat kept off in honour to the Sentence,

Is cruelly abipt.

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(as said your Hangman) some of you threatning him. That he should be so served every time he came to Boston. To which Edward replyed, and I think I shall be here to morrow again. Then two lusty men being Assistants to the Executioner and Constable, be was brought to the next Town to be whipt, and fet at liberty, (and all this but for being at Boston, he being a Housekeeper in the Colony. ) What wickedness, what cruelty, what injustice is here? How

do you deserve not a man of you to be suffered to breath upon the Earth? Should the Law of Retaliation be exercised upon you; should you be whipt from every place from whence you came, who whip after this manner, and so shew your selves destructive to Trade, and the being of men? How do ye know but that the Lord will requite ye, as ye have done, and double it upon you? And then how fad will be your portion, and what will be the lot of your Inheritance? And for ought you know, this or a worse Judgment may be your portion from the hand of the Lord. So Edward being at liberty, he went to his House at Salem, and made his way to Boston on the mor- He comes to row, and looked some of you in the Face, as Deputy Billing- Town the next bam, &c. who as men guilty, turned the other way, which made him question with some of you, How it could be, that he should be a Vagabond yesterday, and none to day, to which he was answered, That if the Lyon be Judge, and he say the Foxes long Ears be Horns, it must go so, though it cost the Fox his life. The + Constable of Lyn being told who he was, and what might be the consequence of whipping him as a Vagabond, who was an Inhabitant, thought fit in his own safety to Lyn refuses to let your order go without execution.

So this matter hath an end, in which I have been the longer, and somewhat the more particular, because those proceedings were the most wicked and unreasonable, and to leave a Record of the faithfulness of a man who was given up to the Lord to serve his Will, whose Power sustained him through

the midst of bis Enemies.

Yet I have not done with you, but a reckoning I must make with you, for a high piece of cruelty exercised by you, on

Edwards own Horse which he had to carry him in the Countrey, was led this while by the Cart, and yet a Vacabond, bis Horse and other things he had then with him at Boston, being worth between twenty and thirty pound Sterling.

Samuel Burrel, the whip him.

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M. Tomkins, A. Ambrose.

Their cruel Jufferings there. fome of the Women mentioned before, in the relations of the first Sufferings af Dover, (viz.) Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambrose, alias Gary. These two Servants of the Lord, having been at Virginia, whitherto they departed from New England, as aforesaid, in obedience to the Lord, and who had there suffered thirty two stripes apiece, with a nine corded Whip, three knots in each Cord; being drawn up to the Piltory in such an uncivil manner as is not fit to be rehearsed, with a running knot about their hands, the very first lash of which, drew the blood, and made it to run down in abundance from their Breasts; and having their Chests and Goods taken away, and so expelled those Coasts at your instigation; they

30th. 4th. month, 1664.

Arrived at Boston.
Mary very sick.
Ed. Wharton, Wenlock
Christifon comes to see
her, they are all had before the Deputy, &c.

† Duer was one of the Constables, the other dwelt at the end of the Town, next Roxberry a Shoemaker.

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All ordered to be whipt.

The Women at the Towns beyond!

The Menthrough Boston.

Colonel Temple inter-?

ceeds.

on the thirtieth day of the fourth month following. being in the year, 1664, came from thence into your Jurisdiction, and arrived at Boston; and one of them being very fick, near death, often dying away, (viz.) Mary Tomkins, and Edward Wharton, with Wenlock Christison coming to see her from Salem: after they had been there a little time, in comes + two Constables, and in great rage and violence (notwithstanding that her weak condition) and forc't them all up to the Governours House; and though Mary fell down dead in the way, yet your cruel Constable (right blood suckers, and Adamantive Butchers) stood over her till she came to her felf again, and so had her up before your Governour; and Bellingham your Deputy, and Thomas Danfort one of your Magistrates, who (because Mary was so weak, and lest, probably, the might die under your hands; at least, that the out-cry of the People might not be too loud at your doors for such abominable cruelty) ordered she and Alice to be Whipt, not at Boston, but at the Towns beyond: and Wenlock they ordered to be whipt through Boston, and so out of the Furifdiction, and Edward through Boston home; and this your barbarousness had took hold on them, but that Colonel Temple came in and interceeded, and prevaild for three of them; (121)

but as for Edward, he being an Inhabitant, they said, They None whipt would go another way to work with him; so unless he would but Edward: subscribe to four things, Danfort said, He should forthwith be tyed to a great Gun, and be severely whipt, with thirty stripes on his naked back; which Edward refusing to do, Danfort forthwith framed a Sentence, and got your Governours hand to it, of which what follows is a Copy, (and a cruel Sentence it is, as the Contents will manifest.)

To the Constables of Boston, of Charles Town, Malden, and Lyn.

A Copy of the Warrant.

OU are required to take into your custody, re-I spectively Edward Wharton, convicted of being a Vagabond, (for but coming to visit his Friend that was near dead, from Salem to Boston; Oh! what cruelty is here? Wherewithal shall I have words to express your wickedness as 'tis? ) from his own dwelling place s and the Constable of Boston is to whip him severely, (Oh what will be your condition, when the Judge of all shall turn you into everlasting punishment with the Devil and his Angels, who order a man thus feverely, or with the highest cruelty to be whipt, for visiting his Friend that was fo near the Grave, who faid, I was sick, and in Prison, and ye visited me not) with thirty stripes on his naked Body; and from Constable to Consta- Thirty stripes ble you are required to convey him, until he come to Salem, the place where he saith he dwelleth, (and do not you know it? and hath he a dwelling place, and yet is he a Vagabond?) and in so doing, this shall be your Warrant.

Dated at Boston, the 30th. of the 4th.month, 1664.

JOHN ENDICOT.

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So Thomas Danford of Cambridge Magistrate, of his own head framed this false and cruel Warrant, got Bellingham to consent to it, and John Endicot to put his hand to it, but Colonel Temple, and your Governours Wife, being somewhat sensible of the hardness of the Sentence, and cruelty thereof, begged or fought Edward to subscribe to your four Propositions, which were, I. To promise to come no more to a Quakers Meeting at Boston. 2. That when he come to Boston, he should signifie it to the Governour, or the Deputy, forthwith, and his business.3. To take the Oath of Fidelity. 4. To give twenty pound Bond for the good behaviour. Nay, said Edward, I dare not do it; but O, said he, thou wicked man of Cambridge, What have I done? or what Law have I broken, that thou hast writ me such a Sentence?

Away, away with bim, faid Danfort, execute your Order speedily; so away they led him to the Market-place, and there bound his Arms fast through the Wheel of a great Gun, and very cruelly whipped him with thirty stripes as aforesaid. after such a cruel manner, as that it was testified, That + Pease might lie in the holes that the knots of the Whip had beat into the flesh of his Arms and Back; And his Body was ecution, or put swelled, and very black from the Waste upwards. A very lait on, telling mentable and fad spectacle, and such a piece of barbarous the Hangman, cruelty, as a man hardly shall hear of, from persons professing Religion, and flying to a Countrey for liberty of Consci-The civelty of ence, to a man of their own Countrey, that had lived above the execution. 20 years amongst them, and one well known to them all, and by wil Policy, and the Governour acknowledged to be his Friend, when he sup-Ecclesiastical plied him with necessaries at his need, saying then, That he would, if ever it lay in his power, requite him, which now linkt together. he did; that was a Trades-man, and a Honfekeeper near them, onely because he came to visit his almost lifeless Friend; What shall I say? or wherein shall I seek to bespeak your wickedness? Indeed all things together considered, it is beyond a President, as it cannot be expressed; but this is the fruit of an adulterated Profession, under the vizor of Zeal, wherein Civil Power, and Ecclesiastical Churchship have their union to destroy the Innocent.

+ John Loel Constable attended the Ex-He must do it Severely. A view of Ci-Churchship

> And so having reduced him into a most gastly plight, through the

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the extremity of cruelty, he was led not the direct way to Salem, but by the way of Charles Town, and so about the Countrey, as if they had a mind to make a show of him, to dread

the Countrey by your cruelty.

This is John Endicot, and this is Richard Bellingham, and this is Thomas Danfort, your Governour, Deputy Governour, and one of your Magistrates of your wretched and bloody Government of the Massachulets: and these are the fruits of your Religion, which is founded in blood, and perpetrated in cruelty; the very off-spring of darkness, the source of the bottomless Pit, the unnaturalness ofdegenerated man, the unplacability of the Devil, the detestation of good men, the abhorring of all who have any true sence of God, of Man, of Mercy, of Compassion lodging in them, whom God will meet with, and who will render unto you according to your deeds.

Thus was this Innocent Servant of the Lord beaten from amongst you at Boston, by force of the most savage cruelty; but from the compassion of the Lord, he was not, who was near him, and supported him, who never faileth those who put their trust in him: nor from the compassion of men, for instead of afrighting the Country With this your horrible cruelty, tenderness sprang in many to him, and the Truth got advantage, and the very Constable of Charles Town Was so compassionate, that he entertained him into his house all night, and anointed his stripes; and so the next day he was conveyed to his

home.

But as for John Endicot, your murderous cruel and unmerciful John Endicot Governour; no more of bloody Battels fought he with the people fights no more of the Lord but as if this ware the country of the Lord but as if this ware the of the Lord, but as if this were the complement of his miserable Tragedy, or the height of all that which he travelled withal, during the dayes of his Government which should confummate or compleat his wickedness, or fill up the measure of his iniquity, rapine, craelty, and blood, and that which should sum up all, the end of his dayes, and the measure of his iniquity, he dyed not long after, the hand of the Lord Bruck him He stinks aoff, he stunk alive, and his name doth rot, and for his works he live, and dies. knows his reward from the Hand of the Lord.

Now because the man was one who formerly had some tenderneis

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TohnEndicot, in a Letter wrote, and detime, by his **Sometimes** Jem, John. Smith.

An account of derness in him, who so far degenerated into hardness and cruelty, as to give Sentence of death upon five of the Servants of the Lord, four of which were executed barely for their Conlivered to him science to God, and onely for being such as are called Quain his life-kers, and coming into your Jurisdiction; besides the cruel Whippings and Imprisonments, selling for Bond men, and Bond-Neighbour and women, cutting off Ears, Fines, and Burnings in the Body, Friend in Sa- which have filled the Contents of two Treatifes hitherto, and which cannot be too sufficiently expressed; which is the worlds wonder, and the astonishment of all that are men of any ingenuity and tenderness. I shall give some little account to the World of what he was, as to thefe things in the Copy of a Letter, which was given into his hand during his life time, in the year, 1660. from a neighbour of his of Salem, upon the occasion of his cruelty to his said neighbours Wife, who came to be convinced of the Truth, by the cruelty to her, which is as followeth.

The Copy of the Letter which serves for his winding-sheet.

Governour, Governour, do not think that my love to my Wife is at all abated, because I sit still silent, and do not seek her releasement and freedom, which if I did, would not avail, its like, because your cruelty doth so much abound unjustly and unrighteously towards her, as hath been seen all along; as at the first, in taking her up for nothing but being in company with others, committing her to the Prison, where she was wet from the head to the feet, with the extremity of rain, keeping her close. Prisoner, wet as she was, until night; a most cruel Act, she being but a sickly moman formerly, that such athing, 'its like, might have put an end to her dayes; which is that many would have done now it's like, as doth appear, since by your practises towards her, increasing your cruelties to a higher measure, and then sending for her before the Governour, and nothing justly laid to ber charge as evil, yet committed to the Prison again, where she was kept a month and odd dayes, then calling her before the Court: upon examination of her, there being nothing justly laid to her charge, yet to fulfil your wills, it was determined, That she must have ten stripes in the open market place, it being very cold, the Snow lying by the Walls, and the Wind blowing cold, which the Whipper

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Whipper (like an inhumane Bruce) for haste tore part of her cloaths, the standers-by bidding him do it, in my hearing : (0 with much violence he laid it on, without pitty or mercy; (o after we came home to Salem the next day where I was, it was reported in my hearing, the man not knowing that (he was my Wife which reported it, Said, That when her Cloaths were on, she took one of the Prisoners about the neck, and kissed him before the multitude. To which I answered to him, It was false, it was not true, for I was an eye witness to her the time he was there. and went away with her; it's like she might take him by the hand; so many false reports, lies, and standers are cast upon her, and others, which I know of my own knowledge to be falle. and yet believed by many which envy at them. And now another cruel act, the like was never heard of in New England, even keeping her close Prisoner in Salem, not suffering her to come home to her House; my Children left to the wide World, to them that would shew mercy to them in the extremity of the cold Winter season, and so haling her to the Prison the next day, it being fnowy wet weather, not fit for a Woman to travel in, putting her into the Prison again, all wet with the cold Snow, (a most cruel thing) and here keep her in the Winter Season, not regarding her if the had been frozen to death, receiving many lies, and falle reports, believing them for truth, from the mouths of them that use to report lies, whose employment have been taken up withal, which might be better employed then to carry lies against the Innocent, to shed blood causeles; as of one I am informed, that More decay Crebatts Wife brought to thee, who being in Prison, said. That she saw my Wife take William Ling, or Fohn Chamberlain about the Neck at the Prison door, or thereabouts. Which is a false report, in the reporting of it, because she reported it of the one to thee, and of the other in Salem. These evil reports, lies, and flanders reproachfully cast upon her unjustly, God in his due time will clear and recompence into their Bosoms, seven fold in every man as his work is, for which I must declare against, because I see the love of God shine forth more and more, and her faithfulness to the Lord is seen and tryed, and her faithfulness to me do I own, though many false reports have been cast upon her unjustly, as though she was light and uncivil in her conversation

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with other men, which thing I am sure she doth abhor the pratice of, both in her self, and all others, which is reported through envy and malice, which I believe faithfully to be; my love is much more encreased to her, because I see your cruelty so much enlarged to her, which cruelty proceeds not from a Spirit of Love, but from a Spirit of Envy and Hatred, yea, from the evil root of unbelief, of which the Apostle speaketh, for there was never such cruelty did proceed from them, but the contrary, the Spirit of Love, and meekness, and tenderness, gentleness, yea love to all men, as the Apostle John speaks, which Apostle concluding this, That be that dwells not in Love, dwells not in God, for God is Love, and he that dwellesh not in Love, hath not the Love of God abiding in him; and if he love not his Brother whom he hath seen, how can he love

God whom he hath not seen?

Oh my Spirit is grieved for thee, because that the love I did once see in thee, is departed from thee, and there remaineth in thee a Spirit of cruelty, of hard-heartedness to thy poor Neighbours, which show hast formerly been much beholden to, and relieved by, in time of want, when thou hadst no bread to eat. Oh consider of these times, & forget them not, and of the love thou didst find among poor people in thy necessity, and how evil thou hast dealt and requited some of them now, and how thou didst walk and act contrary to what thou didst formerly profess; yea, I have heard thee fay, That all the Armies on Earth cannot subdue one lust in man or woman; and now thou pronouncest Sentence of death upon some, because they cannot submit to your wills, nor worship as ye do; though the heart may be far from God, as you fay, yet because they cannot joyn with you, you will put them to death by a Law, for which there is no examples in the Scriptures of Truth, which (you (ay) is your rule, that any of the People of God from Adams time to this day, did put any man or woman to death, because they would not worship God as they did, which I never read of in the Scriptures; but many examples in the Scriptures of those that were not the People of God that did take away their estates, and put them in Prison, and punished them by stripes oftentimes, and haled them before Rulers, as Christ gives Testimany they should do so; yea, who soever killeth them, shall think that he doth God good service; many of them shall think so, but (127)

but not all, for Judas did not think so when he betrayed Christ; For some shall sin against the Light of Christ in them, as saith the Scriptures; yea, there is no example of any men fearing God, that did make and execute such Laws as are here in force in this Land, to take away mens Goods, to put in Prison, to Whip, to cut Ears, to put to Death those that would not wor hip God as they did; or where is it written, That they did Banish any for Conscience-sake? but of those that did not fear God, it is written of them, They did put most of the Prophets to death as Christ saith, Which of the Prophets have not your Fathers persecuted and put to death; Yea, and Christ suffered death, for it is written, The Fews had a Law, and by our Law he ought to die, because he maketh himself the Son of God. And likewise the Apostles Suffered death most of them, of those who would have put them out of the Synagogue, which should say, That be was Christ, they had so agreed beforehand, or its like, if any did say that they did persecute, they would put him out of the Synagogue too, for its no great punishment that befalls him, for it's written, they have a Law to put to death for Conscience-Sake.

Ohtherefore now consider in the fear of God from whence thon art fallen, and despise not the love of God, and grieve not the holy Spirit any longer, by which every one that believeth is sealed to the day of Redemption, and consider with thy self how thy life and conversation bath been in times past when thou livedst next to me, who being often at thy house to fetch home what was borrowed from me, Itaking notice of many disorders in the Family, sitting up very late at nights, in much idleness, and wantonness, which hath been the occasion of much evil, thy Children being disobedient to their Parents, and living loosely in the time of their youth: thy Servants very vain, some of them very wicked, and filthy, and unclean in their lives and conversations secretly, as hath appeared openly, to the view of many, what evil hath leen fecretly committed by them, and how little it hath been reformed by thee, the Lord will be Witness against thee, and also thy oppression of the Poor : I am an eye and ear Witness to complaints made in this kind, which hath had many poor men to work for thee, one year after another, some never received any thing to this day, others but little, it may be some Apples, or that which did but little good :

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good; and some asked it so often, its like, were ashamed to ask it any more, of which I am one that hath forborn, became I fee nothing but words, no performances; which cry of the poor, the Lords eye is open and attentive to, so the Scripture declares, which thou sayest is thy Rule: but now since thou comest to Botton, and leftest Salem, thou art become much more proud, that the cause of the Poor is despised and contemned by thee; and he that is proud. and scornful, and high-minded, is approved of by thee, because he putteth off the Hat, and honoureth thee, as thou callest, by bowing of the Body, and saith, Worshipful Sir; This is pleasing to the flesh in thee, but plainness of Speech in Words and Actions, which the Scripture commends, and commands that we should be without dissimulation, that thou sayest is unmannerly and inhumane, like bruit Beasts; yea, it hath been declared here in Salem Pulpit, That Thou and Thee, Yea and Nay is the Devils Sacrifice; The Scripture Language spoken of all along from Adams time. spoken by all the Holy Prophets, and Christ, and his Apostles, and to this day the common Language among other Nations : now called the Devils Sacrifice, is disorning the Scriptures for a Rule of Life to be guided by, which in words ye own to be your Rule, but in practice ye denyit, as it doth appear by your lives and conversations, which strive so much for honour more then to reform the crying sins of the times, which cries continually in the ears of the Lord for vengeance to come upon you, but rather tollerate, as shedding of Innocent blood, the cry in the Taverns, abusing the Creatures of God in drunkenness, in gluttony, excess, singing and roaring out with a loud voice in the times of your publick Worship. on the Lecture dayes; and pride, uncleanness, filthiness, prophanenels, idlenels in words and actions, in their common difcourse, to the grief of the Spirit of God in any mhere it is; and coverousness, which is idolatry, and extortion, hard-beartedness, which proceeds all from unbelief, thefe fins not so much looked after, as those honest People which you call scornfully a cursed Sect of Quakers, which some here in Salem have made it part of their Sabbath day work, to hunt up and down from house to house, glorying and rejoycing in the same, to disturb them, who are met peaceably and quietly to wait upon God in his own may, held forth in the Scriptures, by the Apostles and Servants of Fesus Christ, which

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which God commanded should not be, for on the seventh day God rested from all his Works, it is said, and God never commanded any to break this Rest, by hunting up and down after the Servants of God, to take away their lives by a cruel death, those that do you no harm, neither in thought, word, or deed, that doth unto all men, as they would have all men do unto them, that is in their measure; yet these let alone, and upheld by a Law contrary to the Law of God, or the Law of Love, which is one, though they break

the Rest which God commanded to be kept.

Ob consider of these things before the Judgements of the Lord come upon thee, and before it be too late, for of a truth it will come in the Lord's time, and will not tarry, and nothing can keep them from thee, but Repentance, and for saking thy evil way, turning to him with all thy Heart, with all thy Mind, and all thy Soul, and repelling of those unrighteous Laws which yet remains in the Countrey, and not to make more, as was petitioned for this Court of Election, | That no Man or Woman should bring any thing to the Prisoners, or carry any thing from them, upon the Fine of twenty pounds which was granted by some of you, to the value of five pounds for the first time, and ten pounds for the second; and whether to encrease more, I know not. A cruel Law as ever I heard of, what to starve them to death? worse then to hang them by and by out of the way; which doth plainly appear that you would have starved them to death, for which God in his time will call you to an account; and happy is every one that bath no hand in these cruel Laws, made and executed upon many unto death it self, upon three of them, and Whippings, and Impri-Sonments above measure, which makes many to fall off from you, through your cruelty done to others, and I think will joyn no more with you, known by the name of John Smith, thy next neighbour in times past, and then serviceable to thee in many things, and it's like, somewhat beloved by thee; but now it's otherwise, as it appears by thy hard dealing to my beloved Wife. This I am constrained to write to thee in love and tenderness. John Smith.

A Copy of this was delivered to the Governour, in some short time after the death of Mary Dyer, which was put to death by the Court of Election at Boston, 1660.

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Margaret Smith his Wife, and Mary Trask's Letter to which stands as his Tomb-Stone .

Now because I have made mention of the said John Smith, and his Letter to your Governour, which may ferve as a winding-sheet for him, to whom it was delivered (as I said) in his life time; I shall give the Copy of one Letter more, writ-John Endicot, ten by his Wife, and Mary Trask, (a fore sufferer by you, mentioned in the former Treatise) the one and twentieth of the tenth month, 1660. to your Governour and you, which I should not have inserted, but that it contains a Warning to you of the Judgement that is coming upon you. fo an account of the harmless and innocent Spirit that lodged in them, which is in the words following.

The Copy of the Letter.

TO thee John Endicot, and the rest of the Rulers of this Ju-I risdiction, who are given up to fight against the Lord, and his Truth in this day, wherein it is fpringing forth, and by the complines of it, hath the Lord our God constrained us to take up the Cross and follow him, through great tryals and sufferings, as to the outward; and herein we can rejoyce that we are accounted worthy, and called thereunto to bear a Testimony against a cruel and hard-hearted people, who are flighting the day of their Visitation. and foolishly requiting the Lord for his goodness, and shamefully intreating his hidden Ones whom he hath sent amongst you, to call you from the evil of your wayes, that ye might come with them to partake of his love, and feel his life and power in your own hearts, that with us ye might have been brought to be subject to the higher Power, Christ Fesus, whom you hould have been obedient unto, and bearkened to his Judgements, whilf he stood at the door and knocked, (for he will not alwayes strive with man) and then it (hould have been well with you, but seeing you are gone from this that leadeth into tenderness, love, and meekness, and to do unto all as you. would be done unto; therefore ye are given up to a Spirit of error. and hardness of heart, and blindness of mind, the eye of your minds being blinded by the God of this world, so that you cannot see our life, which is hid with Christ in God, who is become our Light and Life, and hope of Glory, and our exceeding great reward in whom me do rejoyce. Yea surely the God of Jacob is with u, what ever you may be able to say against us; for behold the Lord our God is. rising as a mighty terrible one, to plead the cause of his People, and

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to clear the cause of the Innocent; but surely he will in no wife acquit the quilty, who have shed the blood of the Innocent, and you shall assuredly feel his judgements, who have wilfully put forth your hands against his Chosen; ye have cut off the Righteous from amongst you, and are still taking counsel against the Lord to proceed against more of his People; but this know, the Lord our God will confound your Counsel, and lay your glory in the dust; unto whom will ye fly for help? and whither will ye go to hide your selves? for verily the Lord will strip off all your coverings; for je are not covered with the Spirit of the Lord, therefore the woe is gone out against you; for your place of defence is a refuge of lies, and under fallhood re have hid your selves. Wo. wo unto you, for you have for saken the Lord, the Fountain of living Waters, and are greedily swallowing the polluted Waters, that come through the stinking Channel of your hireling Masters, unclean spirits, whom Christ cries wo against, and who cannot cease from sin, having hearts exercised with covetous practises. Wo unto them, saith the Scripture, for they have run greedily after the error of Balaam, who loved the wages of unrighteousness, and are seeking enchantments against the Seed of Jacob; their divinations against Israel the Lord will confound, and all your wicked Counsel bring to nought. Wo unto you that decree unrighteous decrees, and write grievonsness, which you have prescribed, to turn away the poor and needy from their right; have you not fold your selves to work wickedness, and are strengthening your selves in your abominations, till the measure of your iniquity be full? furely the overflowing Scourge will pass over you, and sweep away your refuge of lies, and your covenant with Hell shall be difannulled. For lo, destruction and misery is in your way, and the way of peace you do not know; for you are gone from the good old way, after your own way, therefore the way of Holiness is hid from your eyes. Oh that ye had owned the day of your Visitation before it had been too late, and had hearkened to the voice of his Servants, whom he sent unto you again and again, in love and tenderness to your Souls; but ye would not bearken to the Lord when he called, therefore when ye cry and call he will not hear you; although you may call unto him, yet be will not answer; he will laugh at your calamit 1

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calamity when it cometh, for you have fet at nought all his Connsel, and have chosen rather to walk in your own Counsel; But this know, that if ye had hearkened to the Counsel of the Lord, the Light, which is now your Condemnation, and had waited there to know his Will, then you should have known it, and then thefe wicked Laws had never been made, nor prosecuted by you which you have made in your own wills, contrary to the Law of God, which is pure, and leadeth all that yeeld obedience to it, into purity and holiness of Life; and for our obedience to this Law, which the Lord hath written in our Hearts, we are hated and persecuted by you, who are in Cains Nature, murdering the Fust; yea surely the Cause is the Lords, for which we have suffered all this time, and the Battelis the Lords, and he will arise and stand up for them that faithfully bear forth their Testimony to the end; And ye shall be as broken Vessels before him, which cannot be joyned together again; therefore fear and tremble before the Lord, who is coming upon you as a Thief in the Night, from whom ye shall not be able to hide your selves, and will reward you according to your works, whose judgements are just; and he is risen to plead with the unjust Rulers, Priests and People, who are joyned together in a profession of Godliness, and of glorying in it, but denying the power thereof in them where it appears; But your glorying will be turned into shame and confusion of face, and your beauty will be as the fading flower, which suddenly withereth away: and this you half find to be true, in the day when the Lord will accomplish it upon you. And we have written to clear our Consciences, and if ye account us your enemies for fleaking the Truth, and heat the Furnace of our affliction botter, yet know we shall not fall down and worship your wills, neither esteem all the dumb Idols after which you are led, of no other use, but to be thrown aside to the Moles and the Bats; for what are the shadows, if it were of good things to come, to the substance? and that which seemed glorious, hath no glory, in respect of that which excelleth. And all the sufferings that we have endured from you, for Christ, have not at all mar'd his visage to us, but we still see more beauty in bim.

Well knowing, that as they did unto him, so they do unto us and now they are come to paß, we remember that he said these things.

From your House of Correction, where we have been unjustly restrained from our Children and Habitations; one of us above 10. months, and the other about 8, and where we are yet continued by you Oppressors that know no shame. Boston, 21. of the 10th. month, 1660. Mary Trask.

Margaret Smith.

Thus much concerning John Endicot, and the cruelties exercised by him, who though he is dead, yet they speak, and will whilft Age and Generation last, and time is no more, be as a Tombstone for him; for which cause I am moved of the Lord to fet them down, and to leave them on his and your heads for ever and ever.

I shall now give one instance or two more of your bloody work at Boston, and some few examples of the Judgements of God upon some of you, and some strange passages that have proceeded out of some of your mouths, not hitherto touched; of Judgments, and then I shall end this second part of the Relation of your and other notabarbarous and inhumane cruelties exercised to those people.

The first shall be of Wenlock Christison, who sometimes after W. Christison your new Law for Whipping, &c. with + others of the Peo- M. Tomkins, ple called Quakers, coming to Boston, were apprehended and brought before you to be tryed according to your Law: Your Deputy Bellingham said, He should be whipt. Wenlbck, de- Deputy Belmanded, For what? Your Deputy said, Because he was a Va- lingham. gabond. Then replyed Wenlock, Cain was a Vagabond, he flew bis Brother, yet he was great in the earth, and built a City; And faid Wenlock, What is a Vagabond, as faith your Law? One of Cains Hock answered, Such as have no certain dwelling place. How do you know (faid Wenlock) that I have no certain dwelling place? It was aniwered, You have none among &

One instance or two more of Sufferings, and Some examples ble passages.

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Are all Vagabonds, replyed Wenlock, that have no dwelling place among you? If it be so, then go and whip out the Kings Commissioners from among you, for they came out of England fince I did; they do hire Rooms, and cerry the Keys in their Pockets, and so can I; And he said, I have money in my Pocket. and Cloaths to wear, and a Beast to ride on, And what is a Vagabond, (aich your Law? At this Bar (faid be) time was, that Sentence of Death was passed on me, yet by the help of God, I continue unto this day, standing over the heads of you all, bearof his life, and ing a faithful Witness for the Truth of the living God; Some of your Associates are gone, and the Lord hath laid their glory in the dust, and yours is a fading flower. Then to Prison you or-Affociates, and dered him and his Friends, and continued them till next day, on which they were brought before your Judgement Seat, contrary to the Laws of England, and the Kings Order, which he fent among you, which was for liberty of Conscience, therefore Wenlock appealed to the Laws of England; This you denyed bim. I will appeal to the Kings Commissioners, said Wenlock. You denyed this also, saying, That you were Commissioners, and more then Commissioners: See to what a height of Rebellion rou are grown, who facrifice the blood of the Innocent, because to your Laws, for Conscience, they could not be obedient; you will come to have your reward at last, and it waiteth for you, it is the Word of the Lord. Then said Wenlock, Do you own these men whom the King hath sent among you? We will let that alone now, replyed some of you. And another said, If thou hadst been hang'd it had been well. You had not power, replyed Wenlock, to take away my life from me; but my blood is upon you, for you murthered me in your bearts. All three Sen So Wenlock, Mary Tomkins and Alice Ambrole, were fripped to the Waste, and made fast to the Cart, and whipt through Boston, Roxberry, and Denham; Wenlock had ten cruel fripes Wenlock ten in each Town, and the other two, his Companions, fix a piece; and after these stripes and hard usages, like unmerciful men, you drove them into the Wilderness; but the Lord was with them, and the Angel of his presence saved them. who had none in Heaven besides God, nor none in earth in comparison of him. Let the living sing Glory in the highest, faith

The next is Edward Wharton, Who 3d mon 1665 faith Wenlock Christilon. in the third month of the year, 1665. coming from Salem to Ed. Wharton, Boston about his occasions, met with old Elizabeth Hooton, and Fane Nicholson; and after two dayes, Wenlock Christison, Mary W. Christison Tomkins, and Alice Ambrose, alias Gary, who all three came M. Tomkins, from Rhoad Island with one of the Kings Commissioners, called A. Ambrois. Sir Robert Carr; and they being come to your bloody Boston, to get passage out of that Countrey, Wenlock for Barbadoes, and Mary and Alice for the Burmadoes; after they had been two or three dayes in your said Boston, some of you issued out a Warrant to two Constables, diligently to fearch the Town, and to find out the cursed (as you call them whom the Lord calls Bleffed) Quakers, and forthwith to bring them before Richard. Bellingham; So the Constables searched, and found Edward Wharton, Wenlock Christison, Mary Tomkins, Alice Ambrose, alias Gary, and Hannah Wright; and having promised them And Hannah that they should not be abused, brought them before Belling. Wright, ham, at his house, who commanded forthwith to have them brought before to the Court-Hall; into which suddenly after came your De- lingham, groputy Bellingham, and his Brethren; and as Friends were fitting in the Hall, Bellingbam went to his prayers, which having They bom not ended, the aforesaid were called to the Bar, and accused with to his prayers. an irreverent gesture, as he was at his Jezabel prayers, as sitting, Their Hats walking with their Hats on their Heads; And their Hats (the taken off.

great offence of the wife men of this day) were com- And their honour trampled manded to be taken off and thrown on the ground; which being done, Mary Tomkins set her foot upon one of the Hats, and calling to you, faid, See, I have your + Honour under my feet. Whereupon you demanded of her, Where her Habitation was? She answered, My Habitation is in the Lord. But (said Rawson) where is your Being? In the Lord, replyed Mary, I live, move, and have my being. So you Sentenced her, and Wenlock, and Edward Wharton, and Alice, to be whipt through three Towns out of your Jurisdiction. And for Edward Wharton, bis Sentence was as followeth.

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upon in a Hat by Mary, who trampled on one of the Hats.

+ Ed. Wharton, being had before John Endicot in his life time, and being commanded by him to take off his Hat, he took it in his band, and holding it to the people, said, Take notice that the Governour had kept him so long in his hospital, that it had almost Spoiled the fashion of his. honour; which was by reafon of the smoak that came from the room underneath.

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Wharrons Sentence.

Dward Wharton, a known Quaker, being questioned what he came to Boston for? He faid, He came about his business. And that he, with Wenlock Christi-Son, flood with their Hats on their heads whilft the Deputy was at Prayer; And for faying, We have not unity with you in your Prayers, because we know that you are very wicked and unjust men, and therefore your Prayers are an abomination to the Lord. And further, the faid Edward charged the faid Deputy, Saying, Richard, Thou throwest forth thy flood of false accusations, but thou provest nothing that thou chargest; and as for thy fears it shall come upon thee: You are to be whipped fifteen lashes, and committed to Prison a month.

He is whipped.

So you fet him to the great Gun, and whipped him, as aforesaid, and then committed bim to Prison for a mouth; and although the Kings Commissioners (out of their tender regard to his innocent and cruel Sufferings) said, They would have kim out of Prison; but in you kept him till the month was Han. Wiight, expired. And as for Hannah Wright, one John Richbel, 2 John Rich el. Merchant came and requested her liberty out of your hands.

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This Hannah Wright, being a Girl of about 13, or 14, years first coming to old (whose fister Mary ye had banished before) came in the the Court, be motion of the Lord, from Oyster Bay in Long Island, some hundreds of miles to Boston; and in your Court, being filled with old, andwarn- the dread and Power of the Lord, Warned you in the Name ing them, afto- of the Lord, Not to shed the blood of the Innocent any more; which so fell upon you and chained you down, that for a time ye were not able to speak a word, or open a mouth against her; till Edward Ramson being filled with the wicked one, said to this effect, What shall we be daunted by such a one as this? Come give us a cup of drink, or a dram of the Bottle; yet this ye went over, Children, People of years, Men, Women, Old and

Till Rawfen called for a dram of the Bitile.

Young, Infant of dayes, as it were; such as stoop for Age, A redaurgati-Witnesses on every hand, your own Neighbours, Countreymen, on with New Strangers, early and late, again and again, for ten years toge- England upon ther, Men, and their Wives, and Families; Men of diffolute the whole. conversation reclaimed, Word, Sign, Suffering, Constancy through all, not fearing your fears, nor being afraid of the threats: Husbands offering up Wives, Wives their Husbands; Parents their Children, Children their Parents : Servants their Masters, Masters their Servants; Bond, Free, laying down Life, Estate, and all. None of this will you hear, but have thut your Ear, hardened your Heart, closed your Eye, that wrath may come upon you to the uttermost.

So all these things, and much more which might have been A close as to written, have the Innocent suffered by you Antichristian Pro- the Sufferings. fessors of New England, because they cannot forsake the way of the Lord, nor walk with you in the way of Cain, who flew his Brother; and so upon you is like to come the blood of all the Righteous Generation; but these horrible things have you done, to the incurring of the indignation of the Lord against your selves, to the eternal shame and reproach of your Religion, and to the violation of the Kings Promise, who promised us in the Word of a King, That none of us should suffer for our Religion; but in all the things that have been suffered. revenge is not fought, neither is a recompence looked from man therein, but they can be freely forgiven. Nevertheless in the moving of the Lord these things are written, that the Generations to come may see and know what a loud Profession may turn men unto, whose delight is to live in an out-side form, but out of the true sence of the Life and Power of God.

A few words now concerning the notable Judgements of the A Relation of Lord on one or two more of you, as a faither talte of your Spi- the dreadful rits, or of what lodgeth in you, who thus have fought to de- the Lord on M. your and destroy the Innocent, and then I shall end.

Major General Adderton, who was the man that said unto Wenlock Christison, when he was tryed for his life, The Judgments of the Lord God are not come upon ms yet. Upon a certain day this Adderson having been in his Pomp, exercifing his

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men of War, and riding on his Horse, after he had done his work, and about the evening was riding home to his House. about the place where usually they loosed Friends from the Cart, after they had whipped them from Boston, A Cow (as is supposed) came and crossed the way, at which his Beast was thought to have been afrighted, which threw him fo, that he (the man called Adderton) dyed, his Eyes being started out of his Head like Sawcers, his Brains out of his Nose, his Tongue out of his Mouth, and his Blood out of his Ears. Thus fared it with him, who tempting the Lord when he spake by his Servant, and Servants, of his Judgements that they were not come, came to know them suddenly, as the Word of the Lord was spoken to him in the Court by the said Wenlock, as aforesaid. And thus he who upon the Execution of Mary Dyar, told our Friends, that Mary Dyar hung as a Flag, (a most insulting and Heathenish expression) came to be turned over himself, and to be as a Flag of Warning, by his dreadful example, to all that dare to persecute and make sport at the shedding of Innocent blood, and the most cruel fufferings of the Innocent, and to tempt the Lord concerning his Judgements. So lie thou there, thou Adderton, as an Enfign for New Englands Blood-Juckers; and so let all thine Enemies, O God, perish.

John Norton, your high Priest, that encouraged and set on the shedding the blood of the Innocent, who was instrumental in the shedding of the blood of four of the Innocent Servants of the Lord, and of condemning of a fifth unto death, who when you paused upon the execution of William Robinson and Marmaduke Stevenson, and forbore it a day, encouraged you thereunto, and to the rest of your cruel work, which is his, and will be your burthen in the day of the Lord; who when William Brend was so inhumanely beaten, his sleshinto a Jelly, with a hundred and seventeen blows, with a great pitche Rope, so that the Prison doors were set open, and Bills were set that the Jayler should be dealt with; Your Governours Chyrurgion coming in, and judging that his slesh would rot from his bones ere it could come to digest, and so kill him, said, If William Brend will endeavour to beat our Gospel Ordinances black.

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and blew, if he was beaten black and blew, it was just upon him. and he would appear upon his (that is the Jaylors) behalf. Whereupon there was no further enquiry, who was over in England, as aforesaid, as your Agent, and wrote that + Scurrilous Book + The heart of against the Truth, who trinkled with the Arch Bishop, and land rent. brought over the Christian from him, because of which, and the effect of his Agency, many of your Members groaned, as by him being brought into bondage, this bloody Persecutor ended his dayes, and was cut off in a little time, with a stroke that was too heavy for him, being at your Worship-house in the forepart of the day, and intended to go in the after, the Lord met with him, fo that as he was walking in his House, he fetched a great groan, and leaning his head against the Mantle-tree of the Chimney, and being sensible of the just Judgments of God upon him, gave a fignification thereof, faying, The Hand, or the Judgements of the Lord is upon me; he funk down and spake no more, and if an old man had not been with him, he had fallen into the fire. The Lord is just who will not let the wicked go unpunished.

Old Timothy Dalton Priest at Hampton, and his Brother Philemon, two inveterate enemies to Truth, were foon taken Dalton, Priest away, Philemon by the falling of a Tree on his Leg, which of his Brother themselves thought the Quakers would take notice of; the other by another Visitationt: he Priest called the Truth Blasphemy, when Wenlock Christison and Friends reasoned with him

thereabouts.

Now as to Passages. Edward Wharton being with John Endicot your Governour, Ed. Whatton when he was Sentenced as a Vagabond, your Governour faid, with John That every Soul ought to be subject to the higher Power. Ed- Endicot. ward demanded thereupon, Whether that which fet up the golden Image, and required all to fall down and worship it, was the higher Power? He replyed, Yea. And whether the Power that required Daniel to be cast into the Lyons Den, for praying to any besides the King, for thirty dayes, was the higher Power? Hesaid, Yea. Edward demanded, Whether the three Childrenthat were cast into the story Furnace, for not falling down and worshipping the Golden Image, did well? And whether Daniel

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for praying to his God, contrary to what he called the higher Pow? er did command, to which he said, every Soul was to be subject, did well? He replyed, Yea, also. Rawson standing by, and seeing how the Governour had contradicted himself, to help him out, said, They did obey the higher Power by Suffering. Edward replyed, So do ws.

of Bryan 1 embleton, with George Walton, Alice his Wife, Abi-Mag his Daughter.

A question was put to Bryan Pembleton, one of your Magifrates, of whom mention is made before, What annointing was that which the Apostle John exhorted the Saints unto in that day? Pembleton answered, that John was either a Fool or a Mad-man, or else be did not know what be said. Then be was asked, What was that Light which shone about Paul? His answer was, It was the light of the Devil for ought he did know. His Shepheard the Priest was with him when he spake these blasphemous words. What other then the rehearsed cruelties can be expected from such Blasphemers?

The Questions put to Bryan Pembleton, and the Priest, concerning the Annointing, &c. Were by Alice Walton, and her Husband George, and her Daughter Abishag, who being convinced of the Truth, this Magistrate and Priest came to their House, seeking to turn them therefrom, upon which these Questions arose; they lived on the great Island in Piscataqua, and this Alice was one of the most accounted of the Women for Profession in the Island, whom it troubled them to lose ;

but Truth took her, and overturned the Priest.

of Mary To hua Scotaway.

One of your Magistrates asked one of our Friends in the Tomkinswith Court at Boston, Where she dwelt? She answered, In God, for in him we live, in him we move, and have our being; said a Member of your Church, Sadoth every Dog and Cat. Here is one (said Wenlock) that speaks blasphemous words, whose name is Foshua Scotaway.

of Prieft Leveridg at Huntington, inLo g Island Tomkins A. Ambrose.

Priest Leveridg having a Dispute at his House at Huntington, on Long Island, With George Presson, Mary Tomkins, and Alice Ambrose, He denyed that there was any Revelation in with George hefe dayes. George Preston demanded, From what then did he Preston, Mary minister in himselfe., and to what? He answered, From the Spirit of the Lord, to the Souls of the People. And yet be denyed Revelation. Mary and Alice demanded of him, What

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did he profit the People, seeing Revelation he denyed? He answered, He thought as much as the Quakers, which be said, was nothing at all. George, Alice, and Mary, kneeled down in the Court of the Priests, house, and Mary prayed among the People. The Priest ran upon her, and pulled her down; his Sons being ashamed of his bruitishness, pulled him off her. The Priests madness and folly was hereby made manifest to the People.

Thomas Danfort, 2 Magistrate of Cambridge, one whose cru- of Thomas elties were exceeding great to the Innocent, mentioned before : Danford wisher he laid his hand on Wenlock Christisons Shoulder, in your Go- W. Christison. vernours house at Boston, and said to him, Wenlock, I am a mortal man, and die I must, and that ere long, and I must appear at the tribunal Seat of Christ, and must give an account for my deeds done in the body; and I believe it will be my greatest glory in that day, that I have given my Vote for thee to be soundly whipped at this time. Then faid Wenlock, O wicked man, if thou hast nothing to glory in, in that day, but in drawing the blood of the Innocent, and laying fripes upon the Servants of the living God, thy glory will be surned into shame, and mo will be thy Portion.

So fulfilling the Words of Christ, The time shall come, that they that kill you, shall think they do God service. And in this the Scripture is fulfilled, He that is born after the Flesh, pers. secutes him that is born after the Spirit. And the taying of Christ, These things will they do unto you, because they know not the Father nor me.

Some more of the Sufferings of Elizabeth Hooton.

Efides all the other grievances which have been spoken. of concerning me, Elizabeth Hooton, in New England, which have been inflicted on me bythe persecuting Magistraies and Ministers of that place, having been often Whipped, of ten Imprisoned, oft driven into the Wildern is to be devoured of wild Beafts, or swallowed up of the deep Waters, where

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Thad many miles to go alone through Woods in the night, where no Inhabitant was, yet did the Lord by his power raise me up, that he gave me a back for the Whipper, and strength to go through all this, so that I went and was not weary, nor fainted in these hardships. Twice was I Whipt and Imprisoned at Boston, and twice also at Cambridge in New England, by the hands of blood-thirfly men, and four times was I whipt in other places: I was Imprisoned also at Hampton and Dover, where a wicked Constable came with a Warrant and fetch't away a poor old mans Heifer, (who had little to mentain him) for three pound five shillings fine imposed on him by a fine of five shillings a day for not hearing their Teacher, which was a horrible oppression, five times worse then the Bithops Law, which is but one shilling a day for not coming to hear their Common Prayer. I being present, asked him. Who made that Warrant? He said, The Treasurer, Peter Coffin. But he read it in his Majesties Name. I asked him, Who was that Majesty? He said, The King. Then said I, In the Kings Name restore the poor man his Heifer, for he hath made no such Law. But he would not; so I went to Peter Coffin the Treasurer, and I cleared my Conscience to him, and told him, That he had done contrary to Gods Law, and the Kings Law, in taking away the poor mans Cow, for that the King had sent to them, That their Church-members should not make Laws by themselves, excluding others. He told me, That he would take away more yet; But the Lord stopped him in that purpose. From him I went to Richard Walden the Magistrate; to whom I said, Yesterday thou and thy Wife were at a Fast, and to day a poor mans Cow is taken away in his Majesties Name by a Warrant; I asked him, If he made that Warrant? He said, No. I said, Then make a Warrant to fetch her again. But he answered, If I had a Cow, he would fetch her. I said, It was contrary to Gods Law, and to the Kings Law. Then faid he, Then it is the Devils Law. I answered, Then thou may take it home; as thou layest it is the Devils Law, so say I, for thou hast said it. Then I bid him repent and turn from those wicked Laws and wicked Actions, or else God would cut them off. From him I went back again to the Constable, and bad him

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him restore the poor man his Cow again, for he did not as he would be done by. But he answered, If the Magistrate commanded him to take away the mans life he must do it. So you may see what Law these men act by in persecuting the Just, as Walding faid himself, It is the Devils Law. So a company of blood-thirsty men they are, both Priests, and Magistrates, and Constables, and all in Authority by them, act all in cruelty; for not onely I, but many of our Friends have suffered deeply by them; and when they have been laying their cruel and bloody stripes on the backs of the Innocent, (who being fustained by the Power of God, and carried through their cruelty with so much patience and chearfulness, as not to flinch or cry out at their cutting and unmerciful (trokes) some of their Persecutors have said, The Devil was so got between the Skin and the Flesh, that they could not feel. So bruitish and savage, hard-hearted and cruel are ye, O Professors of New England.

From thence I returned again to Boston, and was moved of the Lord to go to their publick Meeting, and they abused me much whilft I stood there, though I spake nothing. But when the Priest had done, I asked him, What was that Light be (pake of, for his Text spake of the Light? But he would not answer. But the rude multitude fell upon me, and threw me down : this was the fruits of their Worship. So I denyed their Worship, and their Law, which shewed it self to be the Devils Law, as Walden had faid. They haled me from thence to Prifon, where they kept me close Prisoner two dayes and two nights, and gave me neither Bread nor Water; then they brought me to Bellingham the Deputy Governour, who faid, That the next time I came, I should be hanged; and he gave out a Warrant to whip me from the Prison door to the Towns end, and so forth of their Jurisdiction. Then when I came again, they took away my Horse to carry the Kings Commissioners away out of Town, which was to me a great prejudice. for it might have cost me my life in a dangerous Journey I had to go without my Horse, with another Woman Friend which was big with Child.

Eliz. Hooton.

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Some more Sufferings of Thomas Newhouse, amongst many which were forgotten by them which gave in the rest.

Pon a Lecture day at Boston in New England, I was much pressed in Spirit to go into their Worship-house amongst rhem, where I stood filent until the man had done Preaching, then my mouth was opened to the people with a word of Exhortation, but through the violence of some of the People, was haled to Prison, from whence about three hours after, they fetched me out to the Court, where I was examined, and so resurned to Prison again until the morning, and into the Court I was brought again, where they had drawn up a Paper against me, as they thought of what I had faid the day before; and they Said, Come thou Vagabond, and hear this Paper read with two Witnesses, their hands to it, for we will handle thee; And I said, Read on; where I stood until they had done; And they asked me, Whether I owned it or no; And I said, Yea every word, and would make it good by found proof, if I might have liberty to speak. But they cryed, away with him, and some took me by the Throat, and would not suffer me to answer to it, but hurried me down stairs to the Carriage of a great Gun which stocd in the Market place, where I was stript, and tyed to the Wheel, and whipt with ten stripes, and then loosed, and tyed to the Carts tayl, and whipt with ten more to the Towns end: and at Roxberry at Carts tay with other ten; and at Dedham. at Carts tayl, with ten more, and then fent into the Woods.

And another time in my travels, I came to a Town called Medfield in New England, in Bostons Furifdiction, and I could not get a Meeting, and it being the first day of the week, when the Priest had done, and the people came forth into the street where I was standing waiting upon the Lord, these words ran through me, Ob Earth, Earth, Earth, hear the Word of the

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Lord. With some more words, but my mouth was presently stopt with a mans hand, and several fore blows I received amongst them; and after that, they carried me back again to the Stocks, but they standing by the Worship-house, they would not let me sit in them there, but took them up upon their Shoulders, and carried them under a Hedg, and put me in them two hours, where I had good service for the Lord, and the next day I was whipt at Dedham at Carts tayl with ten stripes, and the day sollowing at Medsield with ten stripes more, and sent away into the Woods.

Thomas Newhouse.

## Post-script.

TOU that are called Magistrates in New England, whose Actions has been worse then the Sodomites against Lot, raging about his house in the night. But you Spiritual Sodomites have out-stript Temporal in your raging about the Children of Light, and the Justs Houses, and spoiling of Goods, cutting of Ears, Hanging, Burning in the Forehead, and cruel Whippings. You called Magistrates, are worse then the Tems, for you never read that they burned any of the Christians, and whipt, and hanged, and spoiled the goods of any, as you do; but you are like unto Pharaoh: and the more you oppresse, the more they spread; and you walk in the steps of Cain, and gain-saying Core, who persecuted the People of God, Ahab and Fezabel-like. And like the Heathen Romans, that persecuted the Christians, and put them to death, while they were a weary. And you shewed your Spirit, who ran away from England, and could not abide the fufferings of your Purse, and a Prison, and when you were

got beyond Sea, then you could Hang, and Burn, and Whip God's Creatures, and the true Subjects of England; yet you would have the name of Christians, who have cast away all Humanity and Christianity, by your fury, rage, and Nebuchadnezars spirit; who are worse then the very Indians, whose name stinks both among Indians and Christians, which is become a Proverb and a common Cry, The bloody Crimes of New England, a company of rotten Hypocrites which fled from Old England to save their Purses and themselves from Imprisonment, and then can Hang, and Burn, and Whip, and spoil the Goods of such as come out of England to inhabit among them, onely for being called Quakers. How have you Magistrates and Priests enriched your selves by the spoil and oppression of the poor People which fear God? Have not you manifested your selves to be the Beast, and the Whore, by your Merchandize of peoples Goods, and spoiling them, and putting them to death because they would not receive the Beasts Mark in their Fore-head, nor their hand, and because they cannot buy nor sell with you? Oh the blood of the Innocent cryes for Vengeance against you; and the Goods and spoil of the Innocent, is it not in your Houses? Doth not the Prophet call you ravening Wolves, yea, evening Wolves, whose work is in the night to spoil the Sheep? And are not you charactered to all People to be of the Beaft, and to have the Paw of a Lyon and Bear, though your face be like a Calf? Would you out-strip Bishop Bonner, and the Pope? Look on your Actions, and the Popes Cannons, and your own; and look on the Commands of Jesus, who sayes, Love one another, and love Enemies; but this you scoff at, Ishmaellike, and Esau-like, with his hand against every man, in your prophane actions against the Righteous. Do not you think that the King and all people see your hypocrisie, and your treachery, and daubing and dissembling heart, and your deceit? How can you fast, and smite with the fist of wickedpess? How can you lift up your unholy hands to full-of blood? Doth not the Scripture call you the Trees without Fruit, and Clouds without Rain, and Wells without Water, to whom is reserved the blackness and darkness for ever, and to be the (147)

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evil men and seducers, who wax worse and worse, and to be the heady, high-minded, pust up, disdainers, proud, without natural affections, having a form of Godliness, but denying

the power, which must be turned away from?

And when Broadstreet, and tome other of his Companions came over into England here, when some of the People of God went to examine him about putting to death, or murthering some of their Friends in New England, whether he had a hand in it, and by what Law they did it? and whether they were subject to the Laws in England? And he spoke in a kind of a fearful manner, guilt being upon him, and would shuffe it off from himself, and said, That they had a Law by which they put Fesuites to death. It was ask't him, Whether they were Fesuites? and whether they had put them to death as Fesuites? And Broadstreet said, Nay, he did not believe they were fesuites. So then it was faid to him. That they murthered them when no Law of England could be instanced by him, by which they put them to death. At which Broadstreet was afraid, and said, What do you come to catch; seeing himself ensnared, and would fain have been gone. But Broadstreet soon got him out of England, or else it may be William Robinsons Father would have been on the back of him for murthering his Son; but the blood-thirsty one got him away, who with the rest of his Companions, had drunk the blood of the Martyrs and Saints, and who made themselves drunk with the blood of the Righteous; But the Lord will purfue fuch Vagabond Cains and Wanderers, as murthered Abel your Brother; and Jezebel, who killed the Lords Prophets, is among you. Are these the men that fled for Religion, all people may fay, that now Hang, Burn, Imprison, Cut, Fine, and spoil the Goods, and drink the blood of the Innocent. God will give you a Cup of trembling, that you shall be a by-word, and a hissing to all your Neighbours.

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